

SB720 • Maryland

Education - Artificial Intelligence - Guidelines, Professional Development, and Collaborative (Artificial Intelligence Ready Schools Act)

In Committee

Risk: Medium

Comprehensive

Last Action (Apr 13, 2026): Passed Enrolled

Summary

MD SB720: Education - AI - Guidelines, Professional Development, and Collaborative (Artificial Intelligence Ready Schools Act) requires evaluative tools for AI in schools.

Business Impact

If you operate a K-12 school in Maryland, you must designate an AI coordinator and follow state guidelines by the upcoming school year or face potential penalties.

Key Provisions

- State Department of Education to provide AI guidance through an online platform.
- Development of guidelines and best practices for AI use in education.
- State Department of Education to assist parents, students, educators, and local school systems.
- Establishment of the Maryland AI Education Collaborative with specific roles in advising and supporting AI integration in schools.
- Requirement for the State Department of Education to develop evaluative tools for AI tools used by local school systems.

Compliance Checklist

- Designate an AI coordinator for your local school system | Who: Local school systems
- Follow state guidelines and best practices for AI implementation | Who: Local school systems and educators

Industries Affected

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Topics

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Roll Call Votes

Date	Description	Yea	Nay	Result
2026-04-13	Third Reading Passed	129	8	Passed
2026-04-13	Third Reading Passed	45	0	Passed
2026-03-20	Third Reading Passed	41	0	Passed

Amendments

- Favorable with Amendments 983227/1 Adopted — 2026-03-19 (Adopted)
- Favorable with Amendments 783421/1 Adopted — 2026-04-11 (Adopted)

Related Bills

- HB1057 (MD)
- SB906 (MD)
- HB1391 (MD)

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