MONTGOMERY COUNTY SENATE DELEGATION

BILL REPORT: *MC 12-10*
Montgomery County Board of Education – Student Member – Voting
(Delegate Kaiser & Hucker, Senator Raskin, Delegate Gutierrez & Senator Madaleno)

Motion on Bill: **TO NOT SEND LETTER TO EHEA COMMITTEE URGING A FAVORABLE BILL REPORT AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE DELEGATION (5-3) ON FEBRUARY 18, 2010**

(FAILS, 3-2) on April 1, 2010

Motion Offered By: FROSH   **2nd By:** KRAMER

Voting For: FROSH, GARAGIOLA, KRAMER

Voting Against: LENETT, MADALENO

SUMMARY: The bill authorizes the student member of the Montgomery County Board of Education (BOE) to attend an executive session of the Board of Education that relates to collective bargaining. The bill also authorizes the student member to vote on matters relating to: (1) collective bargaining; (2) capital and operating budgets; and (3) school closings, reopenings and boundaries. The student may not attend hearings relating to the suspension or dismissal of teachers, principals or other professional personnel for ethical reasons. As such, the bill authorizes the student member to vote on all matters except those pertaining to the dismissal of teachers, principals or other professional personnel.

As amended by the Senate Delegation on February 18, 2010, the student member of the Board may not vote on issues concerning (1) capital and operating budgets and (2) collective bargaining.

On March 4, 2010 the House Delegation voted to reject the Senate Delegation amendments (20-2) and introduced a substitute amendment to the bill. The House Delegation substitute amendment removes the provision in the bill allowing the student member of the Board to vote on issues related to collective bargaining and removes the provision in the bill allowing the student member to attend an executive session related to collective bargaining. On March 4, 2010 the bill as amended received a "FAVORABLE as amended" vote (20-1) from the House Delegation.

TESTIMONY:

Supporting: (See bill hearing report)

Opposing: (See bill hearing report)