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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
148th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE BILL NO. 232

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE STATE BOARD OF
EDUCATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

1 Section 1. Amend Section 105, Title 14 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and
2 insertions as shown by underline as follows:

3 § 105. State Board procedures.

4 (a) The Board shall hold an annual meeting each year, in Dover, during the month of July. At this meeting the
5 Board shall each year elect 1 of its members to serve as Vice-President. Other meetings shall be held at such times and
6 places as the duties and business of the Board require. No motion or resolution shall be declared adopted without the
7 concurrence of a majority of the whole Board.

8 (b) Whenever this Code requires that the State Board approve a regulation or other action proposed by the
9 Department, the State Board shall approve such regulation or action at a meeting held in conformity with Chapter 100 of
10 Title 29. Provided that the Department has complied with Chapter 101 of Title 29 in proposing a regulation or other
11 regulatory action to the extent such action is governed by said Chapter 101, the State Board shall not be subject to said
12 Chapter 101 in approving or refusing to approve such Departmental proposal.

13 (c) The Board shall accept public comment on all agenda items at all board meetings, including action items or
14 items to be voted on, unless privacy or confidentiality concerns preclude such comment, such as in the case of student
15 disciplinary appeals.

SYNOPSIS

This Act will require the State Board of Education to accept public comment on all agenda items at its meetings, including charter school applications and changes to regulations. The Board is not required to accept public comment concerning student disciplinary appeals. The Board retains discretion to limit the manner, length, and timing of public comment at its meetings.