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**HB-0222**

**Title:** Educational Institutions – Opioid Overdose–Reversing Medications – Policy Requirements (Naloxone Access Act)

**Sponsored by:** Delegate Vogel

**Committee Assignment:** Ways and Means and Appropriations

**FOR** mandating Maryland schools integrate naloxone education into their current drug prevention programs and authorizing students and staff to carry overdose-reversing medication; expanding protections for *Good Samaritans* from liability while administering overdose-reversing medication in good faith, effective July 1st, 2026.

**Proposed Position: SUPPORT**

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WHEREAS, the opioid crisis represents a significant and immediate threat to the health and safety of students throughout the state of Maryland; and

WHEREAS, the bill requires the State Board of Education to update drug addiction and prevention programs to include essential information on the administration and effects of naloxone and other overdose-reversing medications; and

WHEREAS, the bill mandates that county boards and higher education institutions update policies to authorize the possession of these life-saving medications while providing necessary immunity from liability for those who administer them; and

WHEREAS, ensuring that educational environments are equipped with both the physical medication and the trained personnel to respond to emergencies is a vital component of a proactive student safety net; and

WHEREAS, MASC’s platform supports “[p]roactive measures to ensure student safety” (Plank IV; A) and the general well-being of the student body through comprehensive health and safety initiatives; therefore, be it hereby

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RESOLVED that the Maryland Association of Student Councils supports HB-0222