

AFSCME MD Council 67 Fact Sheet-Important 2009 Legislation

<u>Bill Number and Title</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Position Oppose/Support</u>	<u>Recent Action (as of April 13, 2009)</u>	<u>Sponsor/Co-Sponsor</u>
<p>House Bill 1243 Senate Bill 673 Fairness in Negotiations Act</p> <p>X</p>	<p>This bill would (1) define subjects of bargaining to include: transfers and assignments and discipline and discharge for just cause; and (2) provide a dispute resolution mechanism that would definitively decide issues of impasse between the union and local school boards. This supports binding arbitration.</p>	<p>Support. This bill offers a dispute resolution tool that, if the process is broken, as a necessary and only as a last resort, would complete negotiations between the union and the local school board, in a more timely fashion and potentially less costly one.</p>	<p>As of April 13, 2009 Midnight, this bill failed in the House Chambers. Although, this bill was voted out of the Senate. This Bill did not leave the House Floor.</p>	<p>SB673- Senator Raskin (D-20 Montgomery County)</p>
<p>House Bill 792 Senate Bill 569 Education- Collective Bargaining- Topics of Negotiations</p> <p style="text-align: center;">✓</p>	<p>This bill simply requires that negotiations between the union representing noncertificated employees and the local school boards must meet and negotiate about discipline and discharge.</p>	<p>Support. Provide a process that ensures that discipline and discharges are done fairly and both parties, the union and the local school boards, have input into the process and agree to it via a written agreement.</p>	<p>As of April 13, 2009 at midnight. This bill was Passed!!!</p> <p>Currently, waiting on signage from the Governor. We will let you know when that will take place. It will either be May 7th or 21st.</p>	<p>SB-569 Senator Catherine Pugh: Deputy Majority Whip (D-40 Legislative District Baltimore City).</p>
<p>House Bill 298 Senate Bill 264 State Employees - Collective Bargaining - Negotiations - "The Fair Share Act"</p>	<p>This Administration bill authorizes the State to collectively bargain with the exclusive representative of a bargaining unit for service fees from State employees who are not members of that</p>	<p>Strongly Support This is AFSCME's most important piece of legislation. Authorizing collective bargaining negotiations for specified State employees to include negotiations relating to the</p>	<p>As of April 13, 2009 at midnight. This bill was Passed!!!</p> <p>Currently, waiting on signage from the Governor. We will let</p>	<p>Speaker Michael Bush (D-District 30, Anne Arundel County) and the O'Malley Administration.</p>

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✓	exclusive representative.	rights of an employee organization to receive service fees from nonmembers.	you know when that will take place. It will either be May 7th or 21st.		
✓	House Bill 631 Transportation-Interfering with Transit Operators and School Bus Drivers-Penalties.	Prohibiting a person from obstructing, hindering, interfering or disturbing school bus drivers or specified transit station agents, conductors, or station attendants while engaged in the performance of official duties; penalties assessed for violations of the Act; etc.	Support. This bill will protect our school bus driver members as they transport our children safely.	As of April 13, 2009 at midnight. This bill was Passed!!! Currently, waiting on signage from the Governor. We will let you know when that will take place. It will either be May 7th or 21st.	Delegate Gerron Levi (D-23A in Prince Georges)
✓	House Bill 1517 MD-National Capital Park and Planning-Transfer of Funds to Prince Georges County.	To transfer monies in the amount of 60million from the Park and Planning Fund over 2 fiscal years to Prince Georges County to assist in Balancing the budget for FY2010 and FY2011	Support. This Bill will transfer money into the budget that can assist with reducing layoffs and furloughs in Prince Georges County.	As of April 13, 2009 at midnight. This bill was Passed!!! Currently, waiting on signage from the Governor. We will let you know when that will take place. It will either be May 7th or 21st.	Prince Georges County Delegation -Delegate Aisha Braveboy (D-25 Prince Georges) Delegate Justin Ross (D- 22 Prince Georges)
✓	House Bill 1133 WSSC-Comprehensive Whistleblower Protections.	Prohibits a supervisor from reprimanding or taking personnel action against an employee who discloses information that the employee believes is evidence of abuse of mismanagement.	Support. This bill will protect our member's jobs and them from being reprimanded for speaking up against wrongdoings in the workplace.	As of April 13, 2009 at midnight. This bill was Passed!!! This bill was signed by the Governor, on April 15, 2009.	Prince Georges and Montgomery county Delegation.

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