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CHAPTER 224

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education - School Library Funds**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the school library funds grant program of the School
4 Accountability Funding and Excellence (SAFE) Program in order to make
5 middle schools and high schools eligible for grants under the Program; altering
6 a certain definition that is used to qualify a county board for a certain State
7 grant; and generally relating to the inclusion of middle schools and high schools
8 under the school library funds grant program under the SAFE Program.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Article - Education
11 Section 5-206(h)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Education

5-206.

(h) (1) In this subsection, "new local school board funds" means additional funding provided by the local school boards for [elementary] ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE, AND HIGH school libraries in excess of the fiscal 1998 funding provided by the local school boards for [elementary] ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE, AND HIGH school libraries.

(2) For fiscal year 1999 and every fiscal year thereafter, the Governor shall include in each year's operating budget a total of \$3,000,000 in grants to local school systems for the purpose of enhancing [elementary] ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE, AND HIGH school library programs.

(3) In order to receive funds under this subsection, each county board shall match the State grant dollar for dollar with new local school board funds.

(4) To the extent that a local school board does not provide new local school board funds to meet the local match required in paragraph (3) of this subsection, the State grant shall revert to the General Fund.

(5) The State Superintendent shall establish guidelines and criteria for the expenditure of funds under this subsection. In developing guidelines, priority shall be given to updating library book and other resource collections.

(6) For fiscal year 1999 and every fiscal year thereafter, and subject to the provisions of this subsection, school library grants shall be provided to county boards as follows:

22	(i)	Allegany.....	\$ 40,266
23	(ii)	Anne Arundel.....	268,456
24	(iii)	Baltimore City	380,390
25	(iv)	Baltimore	376,316
26	(v)	Calvert	53,740
27	(vi)	Caroline	20,218
28	(vii)	Carroll.....	98,518
29	(viii)	Cecil.....	55,039
30	(ix)	Charles	78,281
31	(x)	Dorchester.....	18,382
32	(xi)	Frederick.....	125,881

1	(xii)	Garrett	19,170
2	(xiii)	Harford	139,416
3	(xiv)	Howard	147,977
4	(xv)	Kent	10,197
5	(xvi)	Montgomery	453,584
6	(xvii)	Prince George's	463,151
7	(xviii)	Queen Anne's	23,544
8	(xix)	St. Mary's	52,289
9	(xx)	Somerset	11,060
10	(xxi)	Talbot	16,384
11	(xxii)	Washington	72,645
12	(xxiii)	Wicomico	50,492
13	(xxiv)	Worcester	24,604

14 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
15 October 1, 2001.