SENATE BILL 170

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

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Baltimore City – Education – Construction Bond Authority

- FOR the purpose of altering the maximum aggregate principal amount of school
 construction bonds that the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners may
 issue; altering the maximum maturity date of bonds; and generally relating to
 the issuance of bonds for school construction in Baltimore City.
- 7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 8 Article Education
- 9 Section 4–306.2(b) and (g)(2)
- 10 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 11 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)
- 12 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
- 13 Article Education
- 14 Section 4–306.2(a) and (c) through (e)
- 15 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 16 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 18 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

- 19Article Education
- $20 \quad 4-306.2.$

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law. <u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill. <u>Strike out</u> indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



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1 (a) The board may issue bonds for the purpose of financing or refinancing all 2 or any part of the costs of any project.

3 (b) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the 4 aggregate principal amount of bonds outstanding, including the amount of any reserve 5 fund requirement established for the bonds, may not exceed, as of the date that the 6 bonds are issued, [\$100,000,000] **\$250,000,000**.

7 (2) The aggregate principal amount of bonds outstanding does not
8 include Qualified School Construction Bonds as defined in § 54F of the Internal
9 Revenue Code.

10 (c) Bonds shall be authorized by a resolution of the board and may be 11 secured by a trust agreement by and between the board and a corporate trustee or 12 trustees which may be any trust company or bank having the powers of a trust 13 company within or outside of the State.

(d) Before the board may issue a bond under this section, the Mayor and City
Council of Baltimore shall pass a resolution approving the board's issuance of the bond
and shall forward that resolution to the board.

17 (e) The resolution of the board authorizing the bonds:

18 (1) Shall describe the projects which are to be financed or refinanced19 by the bond;

20 (2) Shall state the maximum principal amount of the bond;

21 (3) Shall describe the sources of payment of the bonds;

(4) Shall provide that the proceeds of the bonds shall be invested in
accordance with any investment policy approved by the board; and

24 (5) May provide that the bonds are redeemable before maturity at a 25 price or prices and under terms and conditions or in accordance with a method 26 determined by the board.

27 (g) The bonds shall:

28 (2) Mature at a time or times not exceeding the useful life of the 29 projects for which the bonds are issued, but in no event shall the maturity of the bonds 30 exceed [15] **30** years from their date or dates of issue, as may be determined by the 31 board;

32 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 33 June 1, 2011.

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