

# HOUSE BILL 1013

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HB 1108/13 – APP

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By: **Prince George’s County Delegation**  
Introduced and read first time: February 6, 2014  
Assigned to: Appropriations

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Prince George’s County Board of Education – Public High Schools – Outdoor**  
3 **Synthetic Turf Fields**

4 **PG 409–14**

5 FOR the purpose of requiring the Prince George’s County Board of Education to install  
6 an outdoor synthetic turf field at each public high school in the county during a  
7 certain period of time; establishing the priority order for school field  
8 construction; prohibiting the Prince George’s County Executive and the Prince  
9 George’s County Board of Education from designating more than a certain  
10 number of fields for construction in any fiscal year; requiring certain fields to be  
11 constructed for joint use; requiring certain expenditures to be deemed eligible  
12 public school construction costs or capital improvement costs by the Interagency  
13 Committee on School Construction for certain purposes; requiring the local  
14 share of costs for construction of certain fields to be paid for with certain funds  
15 from Program Open Space; authorizing the Prince George’s County Board of  
16 Education to use certain funds to implement certain provisions of law; and  
17 generally relating to public high school athletic fields and the Prince George’s  
18 County Board of Education.

19 BY adding to  
20 Article – Education  
21 Section 4–131  
22 Annotated Code of Maryland  
23 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

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

26 **Article – Education**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 4-131.

2 (A) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY.

3 (B) (1) BEGINNING IN FISCAL YEAR 2015 AND THROUGH THE END OF  
4 FISCAL YEAR 2019, THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
5 SHALL INSTALL AN OUTDOOR SYNTHETIC TURF FIELD AT EACH PUBLIC HIGH  
6 SCHOOL UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD.

7 (2) THE PRIORITY ORDER FOR SCHOOL FIELD CONSTRUCTION  
8 UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS:

9 (I) IN FISCAL YEAR 2015:

- 10 1. GWYNN PARK HIGH SCHOOL;
- 11 2. DR. HENRY WISE, JR. HIGH SCHOOL;
- 12 3. NORTHWESTERN HIGH SCHOOL; AND
- 13 4. SUTLAND HIGH SCHOOL;

14 (II) IN FISCAL YEAR 2016:

- 15 1. HIGH POINT HIGH SCHOOL;
- 16 2. BOWIE HIGH SCHOOL;
- 17 3. CHARLES HERBERT FLOWERS HIGH SCHOOL;
- 18 AND
- 19 4. FORESTVILLE HIGH SCHOOL;

20 (III) IN FISCAL YEAR 2017:

- 21 1. FRIENDLY HIGH SCHOOL;
- 22 2. LARGO HIGH SCHOOL;
- 23 3. FREDERICK DOUGLASS HIGH SCHOOL; AND
- 24 4. ELEANOR ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL;

1                   **(IV) IN FISCAL YEAR 2018:**

- 2                   1.    **LAUREL HIGH SCHOOL;**  
3                   2.    **CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL;**  
4                   3.    **POTOMAC HIGH SCHOOL; AND**  
5                   4.    **PARKDALE HIGH SCHOOL; AND**

6                   **(V) IN FISCAL YEAR 2019:**

- 7                   1.    **BLADENSBURG HIGH SCHOOL;**  
8                   2.    **DUVAL HIGH SCHOOL;**  
9                   3.    **FAIRMONT HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL;**  
10                  4.    **SURRATTSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL; AND**  
11                  5.    **CROSSLAND HIGH SCHOOL.**

12                   **(3) THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND THE**  
13 **PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION MAY NOT DESIGNATE MORE**  
14 **THAN FIVE FIELDS FOR CONSTRUCTION IN ANY FISCAL YEAR.**

15                   **(C) ALL OUTDOOR SYNTHETIC TURF FIELDS CONSTRUCTED UNDER**  
16 **THIS SECTION SHALL BE FOR JOINT USE UNDER § 5-307 OF THIS ARTICLE.**

17                   **(D) (1) EXPENDITURES UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE DEEMED**  
18 **ELIGIBLE PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION COSTS OR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT**  
19 **COSTS BY THE INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION FOR**  
20 **PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS UNDER TITLE 5, SUBTITLE 3 OF**  
21 **THIS ARTICLE.**

22                   **(2) THE LOCAL SHARE OF COSTS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF**  
23 **OUTDOOR SYNTHETIC TURF FIELDS UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE PAID FROM**  
24 **FUNDS FROM PROGRAM OPEN SPACE UNDER § 5-905 OF THE NATURAL**  
25 **RESOURCES ARTICLE.**

26                   **(3) TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, THE**  
27 **PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION MAY USE FUNDS:**

1                                   **(I)    DONATED BY A CORPORATION; AND**

2                                   **(II)   RAISED    BY    A    SCHOOL    PARENT-TEACHER**  
3 **ORGANIZATION, A SCHOOL PARENT ORGANIZATION, OR A SCHOOL ATHLETIC**  
4 **DEPARTMENT.**

5                   SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
6 July 1, 2014.