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A BILL ENTITLED

1	AN ACT concerning
2	Education - Public School Construction - Contingency Fund
3	FOR the purpose of providing that certain public school construction funds that are
4 5	allocated to a county for certain projects shall be eligible for other projects under certain conditions; and generally relating to public school construction funds.
6	BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7	Article – Education
8	Section 5–301(j)
9	Annotated Code of Maryland
10	(2014 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)
11	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND
12	That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
13	Article – Education
14	5–301.
15	(j) (1) Whether by budget bill or supplementary appropriation bill, all money
16	appropriated to carry out the purposes of this section is a separate fund that shall be
17	administered by the State Comptroller in accordance with the regulations adopted by the
18	Board of Public Works.
19	(2) Subject to paragraph (3) of this subsection, any unexpended allocations
20	of funds for previously approved projects shall be transferred to the fund established under
21	paragraph (1) of this subsection

[Any funds] THIS PARAGRAPH APPLIES ONLY TO:

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1 2	1. FUNDS approved for a county for a project that has not been contracted for within 2 years of the approval of the project [,]; AND
3 4 5 6	2. STATE FUNDS APPROVED FOR A COUNTY THAT ARE ALLOCATED OVER MORE THAN 1 YEAR FOR A PROJECT THAT HAS NOT BEEN CONTRACTED FOR WITHIN 2 YEARS OF THE FINAL YEAR OF ALLOCATION OF TOTAL STATE FUNDS FOR THE PROJECT.
7 8	(II) THE FUNDS DESCRIBED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH shall be:
9 10	1. Available for another eligible project in the county in the current fiscal year; or
11 12 13	2. Reserved for eligible projects in the county in the next fiscal year, in addition to the new funds allocated for eligible projects in the county in the next fiscal year.
14 15 16	[(ii)] (III) Any funds reserved under subparagraph [(i)2] (II)2 of this paragraph that have not been used to contract for a project within 2 years of the date the funds were reserved shall be available for allocation to an eligible project in any county.
17 18 19 20 21	(4) On or before March 30, June 30, September 30, and December 31 of each year, the Interagency Committee shall report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, and the Department of Legislative Services on the balance in the fund as of the reporting date as the result of transfers or reversions required under this subsection and any expenditures.
22 23	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2018 .