

# SENATE BILL 31

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By: Senator Lam

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Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **School Construction and Housing – School Zones and Adequate Public Facilities**  
3 **Ordinances**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring each county board of education to submit a certain report to  
5 the Department of Planning and the Interagency Commission on School  
6 Construction each year; prohibiting certain adequate public facilities ordinances  
7 from delaying the processing and completion of subdivision or site development  
8 plans; authorizing certain adequate public facilities ordinances to delay the issuance  
9 of final permits; and generally relating to school zones, school construction, and  
10 adequate public facilities ordinances.

11 BY adding to

12 Article – Education

13 Section 4–148

14 Annotated Code of Maryland

15 (2025 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

16 BY adding to

17 Article – Land Use

18 Section 7–106

19 Annotated Code of Maryland

20 (2012 Volume and 2025 Supplement)

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

23 **Article – Education**

24 **4–148.**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



5 (B) (1) THE STUDENT RESIDENCY AND SCHOOL ZONES REPORT SHALL  
6 INCLUDE:

9 (II) THE LOCATIONS OF EACH STUDENT'S RESIDENCE; AND

12 (2) THE REPORT MAY NOT INCLUDE PERSONAL IDENTIFYING  
13 INFORMATION OF A STUDENT.

14 (C) THE INTERAGENCY COMMISSION ON SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION SHALL  
15 ADOPT REGULATIONS ESTABLISHING FORMATTING AND SUBMISSION  
16 REQUIREMENTS FOR THE STUDENT RESIDENCY AND SCHOOL ZONES REPORT.

## Article – Land Use

18 7-106.

19        A COUNTY'S ADEQUATE PUBLIC FACILITIES ORDINANCE THAT RESTRICTS  
20    HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ON THE BASIS OF SCHOOL CAPACITY:

21 (1) MAY NOT DELAY THE PROCESSING AND COMPLETION OF  
22 SUBDIVISION OR SITE DEVELOPMENT PLANS; BUT

**(2) MAY DELAY THE ISSUANCE OF FINAL PERMITS.**

24 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June  
25 1, 2026.