

**Testimony of the
Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners
In Support of
House Bill 1082
Blueprint for Maryland's Future Implementation – Funding and Independent
Evaluation – Alterations**

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The Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners supports House Bill 1082 and appreciates the sponsors understanding the need for the continuation of an Implementation Coordinator (IC) and assures this continuation with a salary paid for by the State and the County in the same proportion as the foundation program.

The Implementation Coordinator's role is pivotal in ensuring that school districts adhere to the Blueprint's requirements. Because of this pivotal role, the Board also envisions that the Implementation Coordinator will be necessary throughout the life of the implementation of the Blueprint requirements. The Implementation Coordinator oversees all aspects of implementation of the Blueprint. The IC provides oversight, input and recommendations aligned with the Blueprint outcomes and ensures compliance with all criteria established by the Accountability and Implementation Board (AIB). The IC leads and coordinates the development and submission of implementation plans.

For the foregoing reasons, the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners supports House Bill 1082 and urges a favorable report.

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