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March 1, 2024

The Honorable Brian Feldman Chairman, Education, Energy and the Environment Committee 2 West Miller Senate Office Building Annapolis, Maryland 21401 THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY

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RE: SB1026 - County Boards of Education - Budgets -Notice (Transparency in Education Spending Act) SUPPORT

Dear Chairman Feldman,

Please consider this letter of support for Senate Bill 1026. This bill would require the State Board of Education to adopt a process for the uniform and timely reporting of certain board of education budget information to a county governing body; requiring a county board to post certain information in a certain matter on the county board's website; requiring a certain transfer to be made only following the approval of the County Commissioners, providing for exemptions from certain requirements related to certain transfers and requiring an audit to be sent to the County Commissioners and generally relating to the budgets of county boards of education.

We support this legislation and urge a favorable recommendation.

Respectfully,

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY

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