

HOUSE BILL 376

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ENROLLED BILL

— Appropriations/Budget and Taxation —

Introduced by **Prince George's County Delegation**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this

_____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, _____ M.

Speaker.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Study on the Feasibility of Relocating the Prince George's County Public School**
3 **System Headquarters**

4 **PG 501-24**

5 FOR the purpose of requiring the Prince George's County Board of Education to hire an
6 independent consultant to study and make recommendations on the feasibility of
7 relocating the Prince George's County public school system headquarters; requiring
8 the Prince George's County ~~Council~~ Board of Education to cover the cost of the study;
9 and generally relating to a study on the feasibility of relocating the Prince George's
10 County public school system headquarters.

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
12 That:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.



1 (a) In this section, “County board” means the Prince George’s County Board of
2 Education.

3 (b) ~~The~~ Before entering into a new long-term lease, the County board shall hire
4 an independent consultant to complete a comprehensive study on the feasibility of
5 relocating the County board headquarters.

6 (c) The independent consultant shall:

7 (1) conduct a thorough site selection analysis to identify and evaluate
8 potential locations within Prince George’s County that are suitable for the construction of
9 a new County board headquarters by using the following factors:

10 (i) accessibility;

11 (ii) central location in the county and proximity to public schools;

12 (iii) proximity to public transportation and mass transit; and

13 (iv) potential for providing community amenities and resources;

14 (2) undertake a comprehensive financial analysis to estimate the costs
15 associated with land acquisition, construction, and outfitting of a new headquarters;

16 (3) assess potential funding sources to support construction, including
17 public-private partnerships and local, State, and federal funding;

18 (4) evaluate the environmental impact of the proposed relocation,
19 including stormwater mitigation and energy efficiency considerations;

20 (5) ensure compliance during the relocation process by engaging with
21 ~~county departments~~ State and county agencies, including:

22 (i) the Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement;

23 (ii) the Maryland Stadium Authority;

24 (iii) the Department of Public Works & Transportation; and

25 (iv) any other units the independent consultant considers necessary;

26 (6) explore opportunities to provide multi-use, multigenerational
27 community amenities, including community spaces, libraries, recreational facilities, and
28 educational training centers;

1 (7) conduct interviews with key stakeholders, including representatives
2 from public schools in the county, school board members, county and State officials,
3 parent-teacher associations, and local community organizations;

4 (8) conduct community surveys and questionnaires to solicit input and
5 suggestions from stakeholders, county residents, and local businesses;

6 (9) establish a timeline that incorporates fund allocation, design,
7 engineering, and construction phases; and

8 (10) explore any other pertinent information required to complete the study.

9 (d) The County board shall develop a solicitation process for hiring an
10 independent consultant under this section.

11 (e) The ~~Prince George's County Council Board of Education~~ County board shall
12 cover the cost of the study conducted under this section.

13 (f) On or before ~~December 31, 2024~~ June 1, 2026, the independent consultant
14 shall report its findings and recommendations to the County board.

15 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June
16 1, 2024. It shall remain effective for a period of ~~1 year~~ 2 years and 1 month and, at the end
17 of June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly,
18 shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.