BY: Budget and Taxation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 608 (Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 3, strike "authorizing, ratifying, and sanctioning a reduction in" and substitute "<u>withholding</u>"; and strike beginning with "receipt" in line 5 down through "intent" in line 6 and substitute "<u>a certain condition being met</u>; restricting the use of certain funds; requiring the <u>submission of certain information</u>; requiring a certain approval; prohibiting the reversion of certain funds.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 1 through 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 9 on page 1 through line 12 on page 3, inclusive, and substitute:

"<u>WHEREAS</u>, In January 1996, the State Superintendent, on behalf of the members of the State Board of Education, reported that the Baltimore City Public Schools had not made substantial progress in implementing the Towers Perrin/Cresap management reform recommendations, including a merit-based, systemwide personnel evaluation system for teachers, principals, and administrators; and";

and in line 16, strike "BCPS" and substitute "Baltimore City Public Schools".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, strike beginning with "if" in line 24 down through "sanctioned" in line 31 and substitute "<u>\$5,873,943 shall be withheld from the City of Baltimore until the Baltimore City Public Schools reduces by 5% for the final quarter of Fiscal Year 1996 the salaries of the Baltimore City Public Schools administrators identified in the MGT report submitted in January 1996, as responsible for not fully implementing 36 Cresap management reform recommendations, and provides evidence of this action to the State Board of Education".</u>

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, strike beginning with "if" in line 32 down through "Schools." in line 36 and substitute "<u>once the condition set forth in Section 1 of this Act is met, the \$5,873,943 shall be</u> released to the City of Baltimore and shall only be spent to:

(1) restore to each school the \$30 per student systemwide reduction made during the 1995/1996 school year, which shall be verified through the submission of supporting documentation by the City of Baltimore to the State Board of Education; and

(2) improve the performance of Baltimore City Public Schools students by offering school improvement team and professional staff development programs and by purchasing additional instructional materials, subject to the approval by the Maryland State Department of Education of a detailed plan submitted by the City of Baltimore for these expenditures.

<u>SECTION 3.</u> AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That no portion of the \$5,873,943 shall revert to the State General Fund.";

and in line 37, strike "3." and substitute "4.".