

Department of Fiscal Services  
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 1054 (Calvert County Delegation)  
Appropriations

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**Calvert County - Public Facilities Bonds - Public School Construction**

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This bill authorizes the Calvert County Commissioners to issue general obligation bonds in an amount not exceeding \$4.7 million for public buildings and facilities, including the new Windy Hill Middle School. The maturity date on the bonds may not exceed 30 years.

The bill is effective June 1, 1996.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None.

**Local Effect:** Calvert County would receive up to \$4.7 million in bond proceeds for capital projects, including the new middle school. County debt service expenditures would increase by a maximum of \$0.5 million annually.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

**Local Effect:** Calvert County revenues could increase by an amount not exceeding \$4.7 million due to the bond proceeds. As of June 30, 1994, the county had \$61.7 million of outstanding debt. Calvert County currently has an AA/A+ credit rating. The interest rate for AA rated 15-year bonds is 5.2%. Assuming the county issues bonds of \$4.7 million, the county's annual debt service costs on these issues would be \$0.5 million. One cent on the county's property tax rate yields approximately \$257,930 in fiscal 1997. As a result, this expenditure increase is equivalent to \$0.0183 on the county's property tax rate.

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