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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Prince George's County - Public School Construction - Funding**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the State to provide a certain level of funding for public
4 school construction projects and public school capital improvements in Prince
5 George's County for certain fiscal years.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
7 Article - Education
8 Section 5-301(b)
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (1997 Replacement Volume)

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
12 Article - Education
13 Section 5-307
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (1997 Replacement Volume)

16 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
17 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

18 **Article - Education**

19 5-301.

20 (b) The State shall pay the costs in excess of available federal funds of all public
21 school construction projects and public school capital improvements in each county if:

22 (1) The projects or improvements have been approved by the Board of
23 Public Works; and

24 (2) Contracts have been executed on or after July 1, 1971 for the projects or
25 improvements.

26 5-307.

27 (A) The Interagency Committee on Public School Construction shall assist the
28 Prince George's County Board of Education in developing an education facility master

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1 plan that encourages and supports the neighborhood school concept to improve the
2 quality of education for all students in Prince George's County.

3 (B) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, THE STATE
4 CONTRIBUTION TO PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS AND PUBLIC SCHOOL
5 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY SHALL BE AT LEAST
6 \$20,000,000 A YEAR FOR FISCAL YEAR 1998 AND FISCAL YEAR 1999.

7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
8 June 1, 1997.