HOUSE BILL 176 EMERGENCY BILL

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1 AN ACT concerning

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Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners - Statutory Deadlines

3 FOR the purpose of altering the statutory deadlines for certain actions relating to the

- 4 New Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners; making this Act an
- 5 emergency measure; and generally relating to the New Baltimore City Board of
- 6 School Commissioners.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

- 8 Article Education
- 9 Section 4-309(b)
- 10 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 11 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

- 13 Chapter 105 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1997
- 14 Section 27

15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

16 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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Article - Education

18 4-309.

19 (b) (1) On or before [January] MARCH 1, 1998, the Chief Executive Officer

20 shall develop a comprehensive master plan and submit the plan to the Board for its

21 review, modification, and final approval.

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1 (2) On or before [March] MAY 1, 1998, the Board shall approve and 2 commence implementation of the master plan.

3 (3) Following approval of the master plan by the Board, or by 4 [February] MARCH 15, 1998, whichever is earlier, the master plan shall be submitted 5 to the members of the State Board of Education and the State Superintendent of 6 Schools for their review and approval.

7 (4) The General Assembly shall receive and consider both the transition 8 plan and the master plan, and the comments of the State Board of Education and 9 State Superintendent of Schools regarding both plans and the achievements of the 10 Board towards meeting the goals of this Act, before approving the Fiscal Year 1999 11 budget.

12 (5) The Chief Executive Officer or a designee of the Chief Executive 13 Officer may consult with parents, teachers, students, representatives of the business 14 community, and educational instruction and administration experts during the course 15 of development of the master plan.

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Chapter 105 of the Acts of 1997

SECTION 27. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Baltimore City
Board of School Commissioners shall initiate a search process for a permanent Chief
Executive Officer (CEO) no later than 30 days after appointment. The Board may
appoint an interim CEO if it is not feasible to hire a permanent CEO immediately,
and must appoint an interim CEO no later than June 15, 1997. The interim CEO
shall not be eligible for appointment as the permanent CEO. The Board must appoint
a permanent CEO no later than October 30, 1997, unless extenuating circumstances
exist as determined by the Board, in consultation with the State Board of Education.
In this event, the Board must appoint a permanent CEO no later than [December 31, 1997] APRIL 15 JUNE 30, 1998.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency
measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety,
has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members
elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from
the date it is enacted.

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