

HOUSE BILL 255

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By: **Chairman, Ways and Means Committee, The Speaker (Administration), and Delegates R. Baker, Benson, Cryor, C. Davis, DeCarlo, Dembrow, Doory, Finifter, Frush, Gordon, Healey, Hecht, Heller, Howard, Hubbard, B. Hughes, Hutchins, Kagan, Kopp, Leopold, Love, Mandel, Marriott, McIntosh, Mohorovic, Montague, Petzold, Pitkin, Preis, Proctor, Rawlings, Rosenberg, Rudolph, Rzepkowski, Slade, Turner, Wood, Workman, Kach, Donoghue, Conroy, and Nathan-Pulliam**

Introduced and read first time: January 28, 1998
Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Libraries - Funding**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the per capita dollar amount that is required to be
4 provided annually to each county public library system participating in the
5 State's minimum library program.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7 Article - Education
8 Section 23-503(b)
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

13 **Article - Education**

14 23-503.

15 (b) (1) Each [year, each] county public library system that participates in
16 the minimum library program shall be provided [\$9.25] for each resident of the
17 county, to be used for operating and capital expenses:

18 (I) FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1998 - \$10.75;

19 (II) FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1999 - \$11.00; AND

20 (III) FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2000 AND EACH
21 FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER - \$11.50.

1 (2) (I) The State shall share in this amount.

2 [(2)] (II) Any county may provide an amount greater than its share
3 under the cooperative program, but the State may not share in the excess.

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
5 effect July 1, 1998.