By: **Calvert County Delegation** Introduced and read first time: February 5, 1999 Assigned to: Commerce and Government Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

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County Boards of Education - Competitive Bids

3 FOR the purpose of altering the amount above which certain purchases or contracts

4 made by a county board of education must be awarded by competitive bidding;

5 and generally relating to competitive bidding in local school systems.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

- 7 Article Education
- 8 Section 5-112(a)
- 9 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 10 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

- 12 Article Education
- 13 Section 5-112(b)
- 14 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 15 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

- 17 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 18 Art
 19 5-112.
 20 (a) This section does not apply to:

(1) Contracts for the purchase of books and other materials of instruction22 as defined in the State Department of Education Financial Reporting Manual; and

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23 (2) Emergency repairs.

24 (b) (1) If the cost of any school building, improvement, supplies, or 25 equipment is more than [\$15,000] \$30,000, the county board, at least 2 weeks before

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1 bids are to be filed, shall advertise for bids in at least one newspaper of general 2 simulation in the county

2 circulation in the county.

3 (2) The county board may name in the specifications and advertisements 4 for bids the particular make, kind, or brand of article to be contracted for or

5 purchased.

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 7 July 1, 1999.