

HOUSE BILL 352

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By: **Harford County Delegation**

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Harford County - Local School Administration**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing that, if the Harford County Board of Education  
4 determines that any land, school site, or building is no longer needed for certain  
5 purposes, it shall be transferred by the County Board to Harford County,  
6 Maryland; and generally relating to the disposition of real property.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
8 Article - Education  
9 Section 4-115  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

14 **Article - Education**

15 4-115.

16 (a) In this subtitle, "county council" means, in Baltimore City, the Mayor and  
17 City Council of Baltimore.

18 (b) With the approval of the State Superintendent, each county board may:

19 (1) Buy or otherwise acquire land, school sites, or buildings; and

20 (2) Rent, repair, improve, and build school buildings or approve contracts  
21 for doing so, if the plans conform to the bylaws, rules, and regulations of the State  
22 Board.

23 (c) (1) (I) [If] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THIS PARAGRAPH, IF, with the  
24 approval of the State Superintendent, a county board finds that any land, school site,  
25 or building no longer is needed for school purposes, it shall be transferred by the  
26 county board to the county commissioners or county council and may be used, sold,

1 leased, or otherwise disposed of, except by gift, by the county commissioners or county  
2 council.

3 (II) IN HARFORD COUNTY, IF, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE STATE  
4 SUPERINTENDENT, THE COUNTY BOARD FINDS THAT ANY LAND, SCHOOL SITE, OR  
5 BUILDING IS NO LONGER NEEDED FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES, IT SHALL BE  
6 TRANSFERRED BY THE COUNTY BOARD TO HARFORD COUNTY, MARYLAND, AND  
7 DISPOSED OF IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION.

8 (2) With the approval of the State Superintendent, the Cecil County  
9 Board may transfer, with or without charge, any of its property to the board of  
10 trustees of a public community college.

11 (d) In Baltimore County, the Baltimore County Board of Education must  
12 notify the Baltimore County Office of Planning and Zoning of any schools it is  
13 considering for closure and request from that Office a written recommendation on the  
14 proposed action. If the Office of Planning and Zoning wishes to make a  
15 recommendation, it must be submitted to the Board no later than November 1 of the  
16 calendar year preceding the proposed closure. The Board of Education shall consider  
17 these recommendations at least 3 months before taking final action. These provisions  
18 may be waived by mutual agreement.

19 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
20 October 1, 1999.