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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Lottery - Unanticipated Revenues - Public School Systems**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Comptroller to distribute certain unanticipated  
4 lottery revenues to all the public school systems in the State; requiring that  
5 public school systems use the money that is distributed only for certain  
6 purposes; specifying that the money distributed under this Act is intended to  
7 provide additional revenue for public school systems and may not supplant any  
8 other appropriation to public school systems; defining certain terms; and  
9 generally relating to the distribution of lottery proceeds to public school systems  
10 in the State.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
12 Article - State Government  
13 Section 9-120  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (1999 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 - State Government**

19 9-120.

20 (a) The Comptroller shall distribute the State Lottery Fund to pay:

21 (1) on a pro rata basis for the daily and nondaily State lottery games, the  
22 expenses of administering and operating the State lottery, as authorized under this  
23 subtitle and the State budget; and

24 (2) then, except as provided in § 10-113.1 of the Family Law Article and  
25 Article 27, § 810 of the Code, the holder of each winning ticket or share.

26 (b) (1) [Promptly] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS  
27 SECTION, PROMPTLY after the 1st day of each month, the Comptroller shall pay:

1 (i) into the Maryland Stadium Facilities Fund the money that  
2 remains in the State Lottery Fund from the proceeds of the sports lotteries conducted  
3 for the benefit of the Maryland Stadium Authority, after the distribution under  
4 subsection (a) of this section; and

5 (ii) into the General Fund of the State the money that remains in  
6 the State Lottery Fund from the proceeds of all other lotteries after the distribution  
7 under subsection (a) of this section.

8 (2) The money paid into the General Fund under this subsection is  
9 available in the fiscal year in which the money accumulates in the State Lottery  
10 Fund.

11 (C) (1) (I) IN THIS SUBSECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE  
12 MEANINGS INDICATED.

13 (II) "PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM" MEANS THE COLLECTION OF PUBLIC  
14 ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION SCHOOLS UNDER THE CONTROL OF A  
15 COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION OR THE NEW BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF SCHOOL  
16 COMMISSIONERS.

17 (III) "UNANTICIPATED REVENUES" MEANS STATE LOTTERY  
18 REVENUES THAT EXCEED BUDGETARY PROJECTIONS FOR A FISCAL YEAR.

19 (2) IF THE STATE LOTTERY RECEIVES UNANTICIPATED REVENUES FOR  
20 A FISCAL YEAR, THE COMPTROLLER:

21 (I) MAY NOT TRANSFER ANY OF THOSE REVENUES TO THE  
22 GENERAL FUND; AND

23 (II) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, SHALL  
24 DISTRIBUTE TO EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM THE REVENUES ON A PRO RATA  
25 BASIS ACCORDING TO THE TOTAL LOTTERY SALES MADE IN THE COUNTY IN WHICH  
26 THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM IS LOCATED.

27 (3) A PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM SHALL USE THE MONEY DISTRIBUTED TO  
28 IT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION ONLY FOR COMPUTER HARDWARE, COMPUTER  
29 SOFTWARE, AND RELATED INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS.

30 (4) A DISTRIBUTION UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IS INTENDED TO  
31 PROVIDE ADDITIONAL REVENUE FOR A PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM AND MAY NOT  
32 SUPPLANT ANY OTHER DISTRIBUTION OF LOTTERY PROCEEDS TO THE PUBLIC  
33 SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

34 [(c)] (D) The regulations of the Agency shall apportion the money in the State  
35 Lottery Fund.

36 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
37 October 1, 2000.