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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education - Public School Construction - State Share for Schools with**
3 **Low-Income Students**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the State to provide, in certain counties, a certain
5 percentage of the eligible costs for public school construction projects for schools
6 in which a certain percentage of the students are eligible for free and reduced
7 price meals; providing for the prospective application of this Act; and generally
8 relating to public school construction in schools with low-income students.

9 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
10 MARYLAND, That:

11 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in counties for which the State
12 share of eligible costs for public school construction projects is less than 75%, the
13 State shall provide 75% of the eligible costs for public school construction projects for
14 any school in which 50% or more of the students in the school are eligible for free and
15 reduced price meals under the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act, 42
16 U.S.C. 1751, et seq.

17 (b) The provisions of this Act shall be construed to apply only prospectively
18 and may not be applied or interpreted to have any effect on or application to any
19 project initiated before the effective date of this Act.

20 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
21 July 1, 2002.