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By: **Delegates Carter and Oaks**

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Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education - Baltimore City Public School Buildings - Drinking Water**

3 FOR the purpose of providing that, in Baltimore City, on or before the start of the  
4 2005-2006 school year, the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners shall  
5 ensure that the drinking water in school buildings under its jurisdiction is lead  
6 free and otherwise meets the standards under certain drinking water  
7 regulations adopted by the Secretary of the Environment; and generally relating  
8 to drinking water in Baltimore City public school buildings.

9 BY adding to

10 Article - Education

11 Section 7-418

12 Annotated Code of Maryland

13 (2004 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

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

16 **Article - Education**

17 7-418.

18 IN BALTIMORE CITY, ON OR BEFORE THE START OF THE 2005-2006 SCHOOL  
19 YEAR, THE BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS SHALL ENSURE  
20 THAT THE DRINKING WATER IN EACH SCHOOL BUILDING UNDER ITS JURISDICTION:

21 (1) IS LEAD FREE; AND

22 (2) OTHERWISE MEETS THE STANDARDS UNDER THE STATE PRIMARY  
23 DRINKING WATER REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE  
24 ENVIRONMENT UNDER TITLE 9, SUBTITLE 4 OF THE ENVIRONMENT ARTICLE.

25 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
26 July 1, 2005.