## **UNOFFICIAL COPY OF SENATE BILL 939**

**EMERGENCY BILL** 

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By: Senator Currie

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Introduced and read first time: February 24, 2005

Assigned to: Rules

## A BILL ENTITLED

1	AN ACT concerning		

- 2 Education State Aid for Public Elementary and Secondary Education 3 Trigger Provision - Repeal
- 4 FOR the purpose of repealing a provision of law that makes certain State aid for
- 5 public elementary and secondary education contingent on the adoption of a
- 6 certain joint resolution by the General Assembly; repealing a provision of law
- 7 limiting certain State aid for education to a certain amount if the joint
- 8 resolution is not adopted; making this Act an emergency measure; repealing a
- 9 provision requiring the Department of Legislative Services to calculate certain
- State aid for public elementary and secondary education in a certain manner; and generally relating to the repeal of certain provisions relating to certain
- 12 State aid for public elementary and secondary education.
- 13 BY repealing
- 14 Article Education
- 15 Section 5-202(c)
- 16 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 17 (2004 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)
- 18 BY renumbering
- 19 Article Education
- Section 5-202(d), (e), (f), (g), and (h), respectively
- 21 to be Section 5-202(c), (d), (e), (f), and (g), respectively
- 22 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 23 (2004 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)
- 24 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 25 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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## 1 Article - Education

- 2 5-202.
- 3 [(c) (1) If State aid for public elementary and secondary education exceeds
- 4 31.5% of the projected general funds of the State in any fiscal year, then the amount
- 5 required for the annual per pupil foundation amount may not be implemented for the
- 6 next fiscal year unless the General Assembly, at the regular session immediately
- 7 preceding that next fiscal year, affirms by joint resolution that the additional State
- 8 aid required using the annual per pupil foundation amount is within the State's fiscal
- 9 resources.
- 10 (2) As provided under paragraph (1) of this subsection, if State aid for
- 11 public elementary and secondary education exceeds the percentage amount specified
- 12 and a joint resolution of affirmation is not enacted by the General Assembly, then the
- 13 annual per pupil foundation amount in which the State shall share for the next fiscal
- 14 year shall be the lesser of the annual per pupil foundation amount for the fiscal year
- 15 or an amount equal to 108 percent of the prior year's annual per pupil foundation
- 16 amount.
- 17 (3) By January 14 of each year, the Department of Legislative Services
- 18 shall calculate State aid as a percentage of the projected State General Fund
- 19 revenues for the current fiscal year. State aid shall include State funds provided to
- 20 the county boards whether pursuant to formula or on a grant basis and State
- 21 payments on behalf of the county boards such as retirement and debt service for State
- 22 bonds for school construction.]
- 23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 5-202(d), (e),
- 24 (f), (g), and (h), respectively, of Article Education of the Annotated Code of Maryland
- 25 be renumbered to be Section(s) 5-202(c), (d), (e), (f), and (g), respectively.
- 26 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an
- 27 emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health
- 28 or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the
- 29 members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take
- 30 effect from the date it is enacted.