

HOUSE BILL 958

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By: **Prince George's County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: February 13, 2009

Assigned to: Appropriations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Prince George's County - Public School Construction - Joint Signature**
3 **Letter and State Funding**

4 **PG 404-09**

5 FOR the purpose of prohibiting the annual submission of a certain letter to the
6 Interagency Committee on School Construction without the signatures of the
7 Senate and House chairs of the Prince George's County delegation to the
8 General Assembly; requiring the Board of Public Works to include planning and
9 design as an eligible public school construction or capital improvement cost for
10 Prince George's County; requiring the Board of Public Works to adopt certain
11 regulations; and generally relating to public school construction in Prince
12 George's County.

13 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
14 Article - Education
15 Section 5-301(b)
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

18 BY adding to
19 Article - Education
20 Section 5-307.1
21 Annotated Code of Maryland
22 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

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

25 **Article - Education**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 5-301.

2 (b) (1) For the purposes of this section other than subsection (c), the
3 Board of Public Works shall define by regulation what constitutes an eligible and
4 ineligible public school construction or capital improvement cost.

5 (2) (i) The Board of Public Works shall include modular
6 construction as an approved public school construction or capital cost.

7 (ii) The Board of Public Works, at the recommendation of the
8 Interagency Committee on School Construction, shall adopt regulations that:

9 1. Define modular construction; and

10 2. Establish the minimum specifications required for
11 approval of modular construction as a public school construction or capital
12 improvement cost.

13 (3) The cost of acquiring land may not be considered a construction or
14 capital improvement cost and may not be paid by the State.

15 **5-307.1.**

16 (A) **THE GOVERNING BODY OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY MAY NOT**
17 **SUBMIT THE ANNUAL JOINT SIGNATURE LETTER TO THE INTERAGENCY**
18 **COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION UNLESS THE LETTER HAS BEEN**
19 **SIGNED BY THE SENATE AND HOUSE CHAIRS OF THE PRINCE GEORGE'S**
20 **COUNTY DELEGATION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.**

21 (B) **FOR PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS**
22 **SHALL INCLUDE PLANNING AND DESIGN AS AN ELIGIBLE PUBLIC SCHOOL**
23 **CONSTRUCTION OR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COST.**

24 (C) **THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO**
25 **CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.**

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
27 July 1, 2009.