CHAPTER 189

(Senate Bill 16)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City and Prince George's County - Organization of Parents and Teachers - Matching Fund

FOR the purpose of renaming a certain Parent-Teacher Association Matching Fund Pilot Program to be the Organization of Parents and Teachers Matching Fund Pilot Program; clarifying the purpose of the Program and the eligibility for the Program; requiring a certain report to be submitted to a certain committee; extending a certain termination date; and generally relating to the Organization of Parents and Teachers Matching Fund Pilot Program in Baltimore City and Prince George's County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education Section 7–118 Annotated Code of Maryland (2006 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Chapter 637 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2007 Section 2

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

Article - Education

7-118.

- (a) In this section, "Program" means the [Parent-Teacher Association] **ORGANIZATION OF PARENTS AND TEACHERS** Matching Fund Pilot Program.
- (b) There is [a Parent-Teacher Association] AN ORGANIZATION OF PARENTS AND TEACHERS Matching Fund Pilot Program in Baltimore City and Prince George's County.
 - (c) The purpose of the Program is to:
- (1) Encourage [parent-teacher associations] **ORGANIZATIONS OF PARENTS AND TEACHERS** to raise funds for public high schools; and

- (2) Provide additional State funds for public high schools.
- (d) (1) Each public high school in Baltimore City and Prince George's County is eligible for a dollar–for–dollar match for private funds raised by [the school's parent–teacher association] AN ORGANIZATION OF PARENTS AND TEACHERS AT THE SCHOOL up to:
- (i) In Baltimore City, the amount raised by [the parent-teacher association] **AN ORGANIZATION OF PARENTS AND TEACHERS**, not to exceed the school's equal share as determined by dividing \$125,000 by the number of public high schools in Baltimore City; and
- (ii) In Prince George's County, the amount raised by [the parent-teacher association] **AN ORGANIZATION OF PARENTS AND TEACHERS**, not to exceed the school's equal share as determined by dividing \$125,000 by the number of public high schools in Prince George's County.
- $\ensuremath{(2)}$ The total amount expended under the Program may not exceed $\$200{,}000$ annually.
- (e) Funds for the Program shall be as provided in the State budget by the Governor.
- (f) On or before December 1 of each year, the Chief Executive Officer of the Baltimore City Public School System and the Superintendent of Schools of Prince George's County shall report to the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee, THE SENATE EDUCATION, HEALTH, AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, and the House Ways and Means Committee, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on the status of, and the benefits accrued from, the [Parent–Teacher Association] ORGANIZATION OF PARENTS AND TEACHERS Matching Fund Pilot Program.

Chapter 637 of the Acts of 2007

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2007. It shall remain effective for a period of [3] **5** years and, at the end of September 30, [2010] **2012**, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

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

Approved by the Governor, May 7, 2009.