

# HOUSE BILL 376

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

Introduced and read first time: January 17, 2024

Assigned to: Appropriations

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Study on the Feasibility of Relocating the Prince George's County Public School**  
3 **System Headquarters**

4 **PG 501-24**

5 FOR the purpose of requiring the Prince George's County Board of Education to hire an  
6 independent consultant to study and make recommendations on the feasibility of  
7 relocating the Prince George's County public school system headquarters; requiring  
8 the Prince George's County Council to cover the cost of the study; and generally  
9 relating to a study on the feasibility of relocating the Prince George's County public  
10 school system headquarters.

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
12 That:

13 (a) In this section, "County board" means the Prince George's County Board of  
14 Education.

15 (b) The County board shall hire an independent consultant to complete a  
16 comprehensive study on the feasibility of relocating the County board headquarters.

17 (c) The independent consultant shall:

18 (1) conduct a thorough site selection analysis to identify and evaluate  
19 potential locations within Prince George's County that are suitable for the construction of  
20 a new County board headquarters by using the following factors:

21 (i) accessibility;

22 (ii) central location in the county and proximity to public schools;

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (iii) proximity to public transportation and mass transit; and

2 (iv) potential for providing community amenities and resources;

3 (2) undertake a comprehensive financial analysis to estimate the costs  
4 associated with land acquisition, construction, and outfitting of a new headquarters;

5 (3) assess potential funding sources to support construction, including  
6 public-private partnerships and local, State, and federal funding;

7 (4) evaluate the environmental impact of the proposed relocation,  
8 including stormwater mitigation and energy efficiency considerations;

9 (5) ensure compliance during the relocation process by engaging with  
10 county departments, including:

11 (i) the Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement;

12 (ii) the Maryland Stadium Authority;

13 (iii) the Department of Public Works & Transportation; and

14 (iv) any other units the independent consultant considers necessary;

15 (6) explore opportunities to provide multi-use, multigenerational  
16 community amenities, including community spaces, libraries, recreational facilities, and  
17 educational training centers;

18 (7) conduct interviews with key stakeholders, including representatives  
19 from public schools in the county, school board members, county and State officials,  
20 parent-teacher associations, and local community organizations;

21 (8) conduct community surveys and questionnaires to solicit input and  
22 suggestions from stakeholders, county residents, and local businesses;

23 (9) establish a timeline that incorporates fund allocation, design,  
24 engineering, and construction phases; and

25 (10) explore any other pertinent information required to complete the study.

26 (d) The County board shall develop a solicitation process for hiring an  
27 independent consultant under this section.

28 (e) The Prince George's County Council shall cover the cost of the study conducted  
29 under this section.

30 (f) On or before December 31, 2024, the independent consultant shall report its

1 findings and recommendations to the County board.

2           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June  
3 1, 2024. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and 1 month and, at the end of June  
4 30, 2025, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be  
5 abrogated and of no further force and effect.