HOUSE BILL 1390

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By: **Delegate Harris** Introduced and read first time: February 9, 2024 Assigned to: Appropriations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Public Schools – School Safety Grant Program – Extension

- FOR the purpose of repealing the provision of law that repeals the School Safety Grant
 Program on a certain date; and generally relating to the School Safety Grant
 Program.
- 6 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
- 7 Article Education
- 8 Section 5–317
- 9 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 10 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)
- 11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 12 Chapter 679 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2023
- 13 Section 1
- 14 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
- 15 Chapter 679 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2023
- 16 Section 4
- SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

19			Article – Educatio	n
20	5–317.			

- 21 (a) In this section, "Program" means the School Safety Grant Program.
- 22 (b) (1) There is a School Safety Grant Program.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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1 The purpose of the Program is to provide grants to county boards for (2) $\mathbf{2}$ school security improvements, including: 3 (i) Secure and lockable classroom doors for each classroom in the school: 4 $\mathbf{5}$ An area of safe refuge in each classroom in the school; and (ii) 6 Surveillance and other security technology for school monitoring (iii) 7 purposes. 8 (c) The Program shall be implemented and administered by the Interagency 9 Commission, in consultation with the Maryland Center for School Safety.

10 (d) The Interagency Commission shall:

11 (1) Provide grants to county boards for public school security 12 improvements;

13(2)Develop a procedure for a county board to apply for a grant under the14Program; and

15 (3) Develop eligibility requirements for a county board to receive a grant 16 under the Program.

17 (e) In addition to the annual amount otherwise provided in the capital 18 improvement program of the Public School Construction Program, the Governor shall 19 provide an additional \$10,000,000 in the annual operating or capital budget bill that may 20 be used only to award grants under the Program.

(f) The State funding provided under the Program is supplemental to and is not intended to take the place of funding that would otherwise be appropriated for public school construction purposes to a county board from any other source.

(g) The Interagency Commission shall adopt regulations necessary to implementthis section.

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Chapter 679 of the Acts of 2023

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
 That Section(s) [5–317 and] 5–324 of Article – Education of the Annotated Code of
 Maryland be repealed.

30 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 1 of this Act shall take 31 effect June 30, 2026.

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1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 2 1, 2024.