

HOUSE BILL 61

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(PRE-FILED)

By: **Delegate Charkoudian**

Requested: October 3, 2024

Introduced and read first time: January 8, 2025

Assigned to: Appropriations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public School Construction and Renovation – Solar Canopies for School**
3 **Parking Lots – Underground Infrastructure**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring that certain construction projects or major renovation
5 projects of public school buildings be designed, engineered, and constructed in a
6 manner so that school parking lots are equipped with the appropriate underground
7 infrastructure necessary to support solar canopy installation; and generally relating
8 to public school construction and renovations.

9 BY adding to

10 Article – Education

11 Section 5–331

12 Annotated Code of Maryland

13 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

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

16 **Article – Education**

17 **5–331.**

18 **FOR EACH CONSTRUCTION PROJECT OR MAJOR RENOVATION PROJECT OF A**
19 **PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDING PROPOSED AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2025, THAT INCLUDES**
20 **THE CONSTRUCTION OR RENOVATION OF A SCHOOL PARKING LOT, THE STATE**
21 **SHALL REQUIRE THAT THE PROJECT BE DESIGNED, ENGINEERED, AND**
22 **CONSTRUCTED IN A MANNER SO THAT THE PARKING LOT IS EQUIPPED WITH THE**
23 **APPROPRIATE UNDERGROUND INFRASTRUCTURE NECESSARY TO SUPPORT SOLAR**
24 **CANOPY INSTALLATION.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
2 1, 2025.