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BY: Appropriations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 311
(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 3, after “of” insert “repealing a requirement that county boards of education submit a certain technology report each year;”; strike beginning with “extending” in line 10 down through “purposes;” in line 12; strike beginning with “altering” in line 14 down through “purposes;” in line 18; in line 19, strike “for” and substitute “during”; strike beginning with “requiring” in line 19 down through “Fund;” in line 21; and in line 23, strike “to calculate a certain education funding formula” and substitute “for purposes of certain funding formulas”.

On pages 1 and 2, strike beginning with “requiring” in line 23 on page 1 down through “manner” in line 1 on page 2 and substitute “providing for the process of the Accountability and Implementation Board and the Department’s identification of the methodology”.

On page 2, in line 5, after “Section” insert “5-212”; in the same line, after “6-126,” insert “and”; in lines 5 and 6, strike “, and 7-205.1(g)(1) and (4)”; in line 21, strike “and 21-209”; and strike in their entirety lines 24 through 33, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, after line 36, insert:

“5-212.

(a) The target per pupil foundation amount includes costs associated with implementing the Blueprint for Maryland’s Future including:

(1) Increasing salaries;

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(2) Additional teachers to provide professional learning and collaborative time for teachers;

(3) Career counseling;

(4) Behavioral health;

(5) Instructional opportunities for students who are college and career ready and those who are not;

(6) Maintenance and operation of schools;

(7) Supplies and materials for teachers; and

(8) Educational technology including digital devices, broadband connectivity, and information technology staff.

(b) Schools may use funds provided under this section to provide the programs required under COMAR 13A.04.16.01.

(c) (1) County boards of education and schools shall prioritize the purchase of digital devices for using funds under subsection (a)(8) of this section.

(2) Additional funds provided in the target per pupil foundation amount for educational technology are intended to supplement and not supplant existing funding provided for educational technology.

[(3) (i) On or before November 15 each year, each county board shall submit a report to the Department detailing, for the previous fiscal year:

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1. The amount spent by the local school system on technology disaggregated by digital devices, connectivity, and information technology staff; and

2. The percentage of students, teachers, and staff with digital devices and adequate connectivity in their homes in accordance with the Federal Communications Commission standards for broadband.

(ii) On or before December 15 each year, the Department shall submit to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, a compilation of the reports submitted to the Department under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph.

(iii) On or before September 1, 2021, the Department shall establish uniform reporting requirements, including definitions to ensure that consistent and comparable reports are submitted under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph.]”.

On page 4, in line 8, strike “**2027**” and substitute “**2029**”; and in line 28, strike “**2028**” and substitute “**2030**”.

On page 5, in lines 25 and 26, strike “, including 13A.04.16.01”.

On page 8, in line 2, strike “**SCHOOL OR**”; in the same line, after “**SCHOOL**” insert “**OR SCHOOL**”; and in the same line, strike “**2**” and substitute “**3**”.

On pages 9 and 10, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 4 on page 9 through line 10 on page 10, inclusive.

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On page 11, in line 4, after “tutoring” insert “, AND OTHER OBJECTIVE-FOCUSED SMALL GROUP INSTRUCTION”; in line 5, strike the comma; and in the same line, strike “AND OTHER EVIDENCE-BASED ACADEMIC INTERVENTIONS”.

On pages 11 through 18, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 10 on page 11 through line 20 on page 18, inclusive.

On page 18, in lines 27 and 28, strike “transferred to the Academic Excellence Fund established” and substitute “used for other eligible purposes for the Blueprint for Maryland’s Future Fund described”; and in line 28, strike “§ 6-1105” and substitute “§ 5-206(g)”.

On page 19, in line 6, after “households” insert “in order”; in line 7, after “to” insert “accurately”; in the same line, strike “the Compensatory Education formula” and substitute “compensatory education enrollment for the purpose of the funding formulas”; in the same line, strike “§ 5-222” and substitute “§§ 5-222 and 5-223”; in line 8, after “(b)” insert “(1)”; in the same line, strike “The” and substitute “In the process of identifying a methodology in accordance with subsection (a) of this section, the”; in line 9, strike “collaborative and transparent” and substitute “transparent and collaborative”; strike beginning with “for” in line 9 down through “with” in line 11 and substitute “in which at least the following entities are consulted”:

(i) county boards of education, including the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners;

(ii);

in line 11, after “Management” insert a semicolon; in the same line, strike the second “and” and substitute:

“(iii);

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in line 12, after “Services” insert “; and

(iv) education stakeholders, including educators, students, parents, and community-based advocacy organizations.

(2) The Accountability and Implementation Board and the State Department of Education shall ensure that the process is public by:

(i) making a description and summary of the process publicly available on the websites of the Board and the Department; and

(ii) providing for at least one open meeting, with notice to the public, to solicit public input”;

in line 13, strike “December 31, 2026” and substitute “October 1, 2027”; in line 15, after “methodology” insert “identified”; and after line 17, insert:

“(d) The Accountability and Implementation Board and the State Department of Education are jointly authorized to use up to \$100,000 from the Blueprint for Maryland’s Future Fund, established under § 5–206 of the Education Article, to carry out the requirements of this section.”.