



**SB1026 INTERAGENCY COMMISSION ON SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION - PROJECT APPROVAL –
PRIORITIZATION**

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BUDGET AND TAXATION COMMITTEE

OPPOSE

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Anne Arundel County Public Schools (AACPS) opposes **SB1026 Interagency Commission on School Construction - Project Approval - Prioritization**. This bill requires the Interagency Commission on School Construction, in approving public school construction projects, to give priority to a project located in or near a school facility that closed during the school year due to a severe issue in the facility.

AACPS opposes proposals which limit local authority over school facility prioritization, design, construction, procurement, maintenance, or operations. Each local education agency (LEA) has and should retain the local control and ability to develop and prioritize its public school construction program. If an LEA wishes to prioritize projects in the manner contemplated by this legislation, an LEA already has the authority and ability to do so. The IAC should not have the ability to usurp local control or local prioritization.

Accordingly, AACPS respectfully requests an **UNFAVORABLE** committee report on SB1026.