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**Testimony of the
Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners
In Support of
Senate Bill 338 –
Primary and Secondary Education – Extended School
Year Innovation Grant**

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The Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners supports Senate Bill 338, as this legislation proposes a new grant funding stream to be established to support the piloting and implementation of year-round or extended learning models in schools.

Providing for year round learning opportunities for students can be a tool to help alleviate summer learning loss and to provide additional opportunities for interventions and also enrichment opportunities. In the wake of the pandemic, students, nationwide, have lost some basic academic proficiencies. Year round school will enable the school district to make up for some of the academic declines.

For the foregoing reasons, the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners supports Senate Bill 338 and urges a favorable report.

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