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BILL: SB 62

TITLE: Task Force on Education Funding and Student Population Growth

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POSITION: Favorable

COMMITTEE: House Appropriations Committee

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The Public School Superintendents' Association of Maryland (PSSAM), on behalf of all twenty-four public school superintendents, **supports** Senate Bill 62.

This bill establishes a Task Force on Education Funding and Student Population Growth. The task force must (1) analyze challenges related to the delay in student enrollment counts and its effect on school funding; (2) analyze the connection between growing student populations and the provision of school funding; and (3) make recommendations regarding improvements to the provision of school funding. The Task Force shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State 27 Government Article, the General Assembly. The Office of the Governor must provide staff for the task force.

PSSAM supports the creation of this Task Force and the opportunity to designate a member of the group. We appreciate the impressive number of education stakeholders participating in this Task Force and look forward to contributing to improvements in the provision of school funding.

For these reasons, PSSAM requests a **favorable** committee report on Senate Bill 62.