



**HB0562 – PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION – MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT – INFLATION  
ADJUSTMENT (MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT MODERNIZATION ACT)**

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APPROPRIATIONS

**SUPPORT**

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Anne Arundel County Public Schools (AACPS) supports **HB0562 – Primary and Secondary Education – Maintenance of Effort – Inflation Adjustment (Maintenance of Effort Modernization Act)**. This bill requires the annual maintenance of effort (MOE) calculation by county boards to be adjusted for inflation.

In 2012, the Maryland General Assembly passed legislation providing for MOE funding of education by local governments to ensure that all students receive the base funding needed for their education, notwithstanding the economic climate. This law is consistent with the obligation to provide a free and adequate public education under the Constitution of Maryland. AACPS supports increasing MOE funding annually by an inflation factor to ensure that this base funding keeps pace with rising costs and funding remains sufficient to provide high-quality education to students.

Accordingly, AACPS respectfully requests a **FAVORABLE** committee report on HB0562.