

Chapter 329

(House Bill 685)

AN ACT concerning

~~Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners – Use of Funds~~
Baltimore City – Public Schools and City Council – Logistical and Financial Assistance

FOR the purpose of ~~authorizing the Governor to provide funds to the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners that exceed a certain required amount; requiring the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners to spend certain funds for certain purposes; and generally relating to education funds~~ stating the intent of the General Assembly that the Baltimore City Council provide logistical and financial assistance to Baltimore City Public Schools for certain shared services; requiring the Baltimore City Council to report certain information to the General Assembly; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the assistance by the Baltimore City Council to Baltimore City Public Schools.

~~BY adding to~~
~~Article – Education~~
~~Section 5 – 218~~
~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~
~~(2014 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)~~

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That ~~the Laws of Maryland read as follows:~~ it is the intent of the General Assembly that the Baltimore City Council, through the identification of cost efficiencies in shared costs and other financial arrangements, provide logistical and financial assistance to Baltimore City Public Schools for shared services, such as health, public safety, and fleet management services.

~~Article – Education~~

~~5 – 218.~~

~~(A) THE GOVERNOR MAY PROVIDE STATE FUNDS TO THE BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS THAT EXCEED THE AMOUNT REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.~~

~~(B) IF THE GOVERNOR PROVIDES FUNDS TO THE BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, THE BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS SHALL EXPEND THOSE FUNDS ONLY FOR:~~

- ~~(1) SCHOOL SUPPLIES;~~
- ~~(2) SCHOOL LIBRARIES; AND~~
- ~~(3) TEACHER SALARIES.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before December 31, 2017, the Baltimore City Council shall report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on the logistical and financial assistance that the Baltimore City Council provides to Baltimore City Public Schools in accordance with Section 1 of this Act.

~~SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2017.~~

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a ye and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.

Approved by the Governor, April 18, 2017.