

2016 Maryland General Assembly

Harford County Board of Education
Legislative Update
April 25, 2016



“You unlock this door with the key of imagination. Beyond it is another dimension - a dimension of sound, a dimension of sight, a dimension of mind. You're moving into a land of both shadow and substance, of things and ideas.” You've just crossed over into the 2016 Maryland General Assembly.



Bill Tracking

Overall

- 1,173 Senate Bills
- 1,643 House Bills
- 843 Passed
- 2,016 Failed Passage
- 143 Chaptered
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HCPS

- 221 Senate Bills
- 275 House Bills
- 156 Passed
- 334 Failed Passage
- 33 Chaptered
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2016 Session Highlights

- Passed

- Education Funding Commission (SB 905/HB 999)
- Diabetes Management Guidelines (HB 71)
- Healthy School Hours Option (HB 39)
- Legislative Audits (HB 352)
- School Bus Fuel Tax Exemption (SB 520)
- Private School Vouchers (Budget Conference language)
- Student Assessment Reporting (SB 533/HB 412)
- Kindergarten Assessments (SB 794/HB 657)
- Sexual Abuse/Assault Prevention Program (HB 72)
- Cyber Bullying Policy Update (HB 365)
- Truancy Task Force (HB 429)
- Graduation Seal of Bi-literacy (SB 781)
- School Newspaper Free Speech (SB 764)
- State Education Aid-Tax Increment Financing (TIF) (HB 285)
- Teacher Induction and Retirement (SB 493)
- Special Education IEP in Native Language Requirements (SB 431/HB 86)
- Additional Retirement Funding*
- Aging Schools Program Funding*
- *Indicates "fenced in funding" in Budget

- Failed

- Prekindergarten Funding (HB 1433/SB 461)
- Computer Curriculum Guidelines (SB 1150)
- Construction Procurement Restrictions (SB 515/HB 330)
- Cap on Student Assessments (HB 141/SB 407)
- Best Practices for Assessments (SB 786/HB 397)
- School Health Sugar Free (SB 65)
- Handgun Permits for School Employees (HB 725)
- School Bus Seatbelts Mandate (HB 183) & (HB 1473)
- Post-Labor Day School Year Start (SB 767/HB 1349)
- Assessments-Limits on Testing (SB 407/HB 141)
- School Breakfast Requirements (SB 755/HB 1325)
- Number of School Days (HB 620)
- Physical Education Curriculum (HB 474)
- Individualized Counseling and Referral Services (HB 1437)
- Prevailing Wage Reform (SB 771/HB 721)
- Public School Labor Relations Board Procedures (HB 145)
- Teacher/Principal Discipline Arbitration (SB 832/HB 1228)

The FY 2017 State Budget for Education

- The FY 2017 State Budget (SB 190) provided an increase of \$114 million to 24 jurisdictions which is attributable to the additional \$68 million now mandated for the Geographical Cost of Education Index (GCEI) and increases in student enrollment.

2017

State Expenditures – General Funds
(\$ in Millions)

Category	Actual FY 2016	Adjusted Work. Appr. FY 2016	Allowance FY 2017	FY 2016 to FY 2017 \$ Change	% Change
Debt Service	\$140.0	\$252.4	\$283.0	\$30.6	12.1
County/Municipal	247.0	254.7	265.1	10.4	4.1
Community Colleges	290.3	297.9	314.3	16.9	5.7
Education/Libraries	5,787.3	5,827.5	6,911.8	84.0	1.4
Health	41.7	45.7	49.6	3.8	8.9
Aid to Local Governments	\$6,348.3	\$6,425.3	\$6,540.4	\$115.1	1.8
Foster Care Payments	180.1	185.2	177.8	-7.4	-4.1
Assistance Payments	73.1	61.9	68.2	6.3	8.5
Medical Assistance	2,785.3	2,877.6	2,986.8	309.2	11.1
Property Tax Credits	76.0	81.5	85.7	4.3	5.6
Entitlements	\$3,100.5	\$3,006.1	\$3,318.5	\$312.4	10.1
Health	1,292.0	1,311.3	1,351.0	39.7	3.0
Human Resources	361.2	359.0	380.5	21.5	5.9
Children's Cabinet/Interagency Fund	20.6	22.5	20.7	-1.8	-8.7
Senior Services	274.8	279.1	284.8	10.0	3.6
Public Safety/Police	1,407.8	1,467.7	1,502.1	94.3	6.7
Education	1,287.8	1,348.9	1,409.4	121.6	9.4
Res./Environment	388.4	410.0	410.0	21.6	5.6
Other Agencies	131.5	140.0	140.0	8.5	6.4

FY 2017 State Budget HCPS

Foundation Program	\$135,401,612
Total Transportation Grants	12,549,134
Compensatory Education	33,873,424
Limited English Proficient	1,670,267
Special Education	12,565,009
Net Taxable Income Adjustment	2,360,000
Total	\$198,420,445

- \$25 million restricted “fenced in” funds which includes:
- \$19 million for teacher retirement rate increases
- \$6.1 million for the Aging Schools Program
- This equates to a loss for HCPS of \$4,448.00 in teacher retirement rate increase and \$217,379.00 in Aging Schools funding if not released by Governor Hogan.

State Budget Conference Committee Actions

- \$ 5 million included in Governor's Budget for non-public school scholarships.
- Broadening Options and Opportunities for Students Today (BOOST) Program established in Conference Committee.
- Board of Public Works
- Annual Beg-A-Thon Removed



FY 2017 School Construction Highlights

- \$280 million in school construction funding.
- Conference Committee amendment added language that Public School Construction Funds may only be used for expenses eligible on January 1, 2016.



Harford County Bill Signed



- Tyler Dailey, right, shakes hands with Maryland Senate President Thomas "Mike" Miller while Governor Larry Hogan, right, looks on, following Monday's signing of law enforcement officers death benefits legislation named in honor of their late father and a fellow sheriff's deputy who were shot to death Feb. 10.

The End



QUESTIONS ?