



ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY GOVERNMENT RELATIONS OFFICE

Legislative and Fiscal Summary of Administration Legislation

To: Members, Anne Arundel County Council

From: Ethan Hunt, Director of Government Affairs /s/

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Subject: Bill No. 88 -25 – Capital Budget and Program – Board of Education All Day Kindergarten and Pre-Kindergarten, Maintenance Backlog, Building Systems Renovations, Additions, and Sustainability Initiatives capital projects – Supplementary and Transfer of Appropriations

This summary was prepared by the Anne Arundel County Government Relations Office for use by members of the Anne Arundel County Council during consideration of Bill No. 88-25.

Summary

This Bill, introduced at the request of the Administration on behalf of the Budget Office and Anne Arundel County Public Schools, proposes amendments to the Capital Budget and Program for Fiscal Year 2026. It (1) makes a transfer of appropriations from the Board of Education Additions capital project to the Board of Education All Day K and Pre K Capital project; (2) amends the Capital Budget for the current fiscal year by making supplementary appropriations of funds to the Board of Education Maintenance Backlog, Building Systems Renov, and Sustainability Initiatives capital projects; and (3) amends the Capital Program and Capital Projects Bond Ordinance for the current fiscal year. These transfers and supplementary appropriations are necessary as the result of an additional \$13,799,046 from sources anticipated in the budget, but in excess of budget estimates therefore, or from sources not anticipated in the budget for the current fiscal year. Specifically, the Interagency Commission on School Construction (IAC) has approved supplemental allocations for FY2026 Healthy School Facility Fund - \$7,458,000; by the Maryland Energy Administration (MEA), for the FY2025 Decarbonizing Schools Programs Grants - \$4,800,958, and by Miscellaneous Revenue receipts from utility programs and contractor payments- \$1,540,088. Legislation is necessary to effectuate these supplemental appropriations and transfers because Anne Arundel County Charter Section 711 provides that interproject transfers of appropriations between capital projects in the capital budget may be authorized by the County Council by ordinance upon request of the County Executive, and sections 712 and 716 provide that, upon recommendation of the County

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Executive, the County Council may make supplementary appropriations to the Capital Budget from revenues received from anticipated sources but in excess of budget estimates therefor, or from revenues received from sources not anticipated in the budget for the current fiscal year. The Planning Advisory Board (PAB), in accordance with Section 716 of the Charter, recommended these amendments at its Oct. 22, 2025 meeting (See <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ReJ4fqHQQyw>) and the Board of Education approved the request at its September 3, 2025 meeting, as reflected in the minutes approved at its September 17, 2025 meeting which have been provided to the Council.

The Bill transfers appropriations in the amount of \$3,300,000 in General County Bonds from Board of Education Additions (project E549200) to Board of Education All Day K and Pre K (project E524100) to ensure that adequate construction and FF&E (furniture, fixtures, and equipment) funding is available for completion of the Carver Early Education Center project. The Bill also makes the following supplemental appropriations, as requested by the Board of Education:

- \$7,458,000 in IAC – Inter-Agency Committee grant funds to Board of Education Building Systems Renov (project E538200).
- \$216,000 in miscellaneous funds to the Board of Education Building Maintenance Backlog (project E538300). The source of miscellaneous funds is recoveries from contractor performance bonds.
- \$4,800,958 in Other State Grants and \$1,323,758 in miscellaneous funds for Board of Education Sustainability Initiatives (project E591700), for a total increase of \$6,124,716. The source of miscellaneous funds is utility rebate programs.

The Bill has no indirect costs, and increases fiscal year 2026 capital authorizations by a net \$13,799,046 as a result of unanticipated additional funds from the State

Purpose

The purpose of this Bill is to amend the Capital Budget and Program for the current fiscal year to ensure that adequate funding is available for completion of the Carver EEC project and appropriate additional funding from State sources by making a transfer of appropriations from the Board of Education Additions capital project to the Board of Education All Day K and Pre K Capital project; making supplementary appropriations of funds to the Board of Education Maintenance Backlog, Building Systems Renov, and Sustainability Initiatives capital projects; and amending the Capital Program and Capital Projects Bond Ordinance for the current fiscal year.

Fiscal Impact

Please see the Fiscal Note the Budget Office has prepared for an explanation of the fiscal impact of this Bill.

Additional Information

The Government Relations Office is available to answer any additional questions regarding this Bill. Specific questions should be directed to Neil Bergsman or Naomi McAllister, Budget Office, or Lori Blair Klasmeier, Office of Law,. Thank you.

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