



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/

Date: **February 9, 2025**

Subject: Bill No. 12-26 – Capital Budget and Program – Board of Education
Security Related Upgrades and Upgrade Various Schools Capital Projects
– Supplementary 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. 12-26.

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 amends the Capital Budget for the current fiscal year by making supplementary appropriations of funds to the Board of Education Security Related Upgrades and Upgrade Various Schools capital projects.

These appropriations are necessary as the result of an additional \$1,229,600 from sources anticipated in the budget, but in excess of budget estimates, or from sources not anticipated in the budget for the current fiscal year. Specifically, the Maryland Center for School Safety School has provided a Facility Mapping Grant of \$245,743; the School Safety Grant Program has provided \$744,984 for a secure vestibule at Severna Park Elementary School; and \$238,873 in additional miscellaneous funds include contractor recoveries, donations, and school payments. Of this amount, \$23,373 is for the marquee sign at Arundel High School, \$50,000 is for the Indian Creek Marsh Boardwalk Rebuild project at Arlington Echo Outdoor Education Center, and \$165,500 is for gymnasium upgrades at Central Middle School.

Legislation is necessary to effectuate these supplemental appropriations and transfers because Anne Arundel County Charter Sections 712 and 716 provide that, upon recommendation

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of the County 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 January 28, 2026 meeting (See <https://youtu.be/6799bE1TSBw?si=VF8TSyWADjM-WWXh>) and the Board of Education approved the request at its September 3, 2025 meeting, as reflected in the minutes approved at its December 17, 2025 meeting which have been provided to the Council.

The Bill has no indirect costs, and increases fiscal year 2026 capital authorizations by \$1,229,600 as a result of unanticipated additional funds from the State and miscellaneous sources.

Purpose

The purpose of this Bill is to amend the Capital Budget and Program for the current fiscal year to recognize additional funding that has become available for specified projects.

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 in the Office of Government Relations. Thank you.

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