

SENATE BILL 867

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CF HB 597

By: **Senators Peters, Currie, Miller, and Muse**
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Assigned to: Rules

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Prince George's County Board of Education – Public High Schools – Outdoor**
3 **Synthetic Turf Fields**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Prince George's County Board of Education to install an
5 outdoor synthetic turf field at each public high school in the county during a certain
6 period of time; establishing the priority order for school field construction;
7 prohibiting the Prince George's County Executive and the Prince George's County
8 Board of Education from designating more than a certain number of fields for
9 construction in any fiscal year; requiring certain fields to be constructed for joint use;
10 requiring certain expenditures to be deemed eligible public school construction costs
11 or capital improvement costs by the Interagency Committee on School Construction
12 for certain purposes; requiring the local share of costs for construction of certain
13 fields to be paid for with certain funds from Program Open Space; authorizing the
14 Prince George's County Board of Education to use certain funds to implement certain
15 provisions of law; and generally relating to public high school athletic fields and the
16 Prince George's County Board of Education.

17 BY adding to
18 Article – Education
19 Section 4–131
20 Annotated Code of Maryland
21 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

22 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
23 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

24 **Article – Education**

25 **4–131.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



- 1 2. **CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL;**
- 2 3. **POTOMAC HIGH SCHOOL; AND**
- 3 4. **PARKDALE HIGH SCHOOL; AND**

4 **(v) IN FISCAL YEAR 2020:**

- 5 1. **BLADENSBURG HIGH SCHOOL;**
- 6 2. **DUVAL HIGH SCHOOL;**
- 7 3. **FAIRMONT HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL;**
- 8 4. **SURRATTSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL; AND**
- 9 5. **CROSSLAND HIGH SCHOOL.**

10 **(3) THE PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND THE PRINCE**
11 **GEORGE’S COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION MAY NOT DESIGNATE MORE THAN FIVE**
12 **FIELDS FOR CONSTRUCTION IN ANY FISCAL YEAR.**

13 **(c) ALL OUTDOOR SYNTHETIC TURF FIELDS CONSTRUCTED UNDER THIS**
14 **SECTION SHALL BE FOR JOINT USE UNDER § 5–307 OF THIS ARTICLE.**

15 **(d) (1) EXPENDITURES UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE DEEMED**
16 **ELIGIBLE PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION COSTS OR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT**
17 **COSTS BY THE INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION FOR PUBLIC**
18 **SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS UNDER TITLE 5, SUBTITLE 3 OF THIS ARTICLE.**

19 **(2) THE LOCAL SHARE OF COSTS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF**
20 **OUTDOOR SYNTHETIC TURF FIELDS UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE PAID FROM**
21 **FUNDS FROM PROGRAM OPEN SPACE UNDER § 5–905 OF THE NATURAL**
22 **RESOURCES ARTICLE.**

23 **(3) TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, THE PRINCE**
24 **GEORGE’S COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION MAY USE FUNDS:**

25 **(i) DONATED BY A CORPORATION; AND**

26 **(ii) RAISED BY A SCHOOL PARENT–TEACHER ORGANIZATION, A**
27 **SCHOOL PARENT ORGANIZATION, OR A SCHOOL ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT.**

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
2 1, 2015.