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By: Chair, Anne Arundel County Senators

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Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

	A BILL ENTITLED
1	AN ACT concerning
2 3	Education Trust Fund – Security Personnel and Equipment and Mental Health Services
4 5 6 7 8	FOR the purpose of expanding the purposes for which the money in the Education Trust Fund is required to be used to include funds for security personnel and equipment at public elementary and secondary schools in the State and mental health services for certain students and their parents or guardians; and generally relating to the use of money in the Education Trust Fund.
9 10 11 12 13	BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – State Government Section 9–1A–30 Annotated Code of Maryland (2009 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)
14 15	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
16	Article - State Government
17	9–1A–30.
18 19	(a) There is an Education Trust Fund which is a special, nonlapsing fund that is not subject to § 7–302 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.
20 21	(b) (1) There shall be credited to the Education Trust Fund all proceeds allocated to the Fund under § 9–1A–27 of this subtitle.
22 23	(2) Money in the Education Trust Fund shall be invested and reinvested by the Treasurer, and interest and earnings shall accrue to the Fund.



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1	(c) Money in the Education Trust Fund shall be used to:
2 3 4 5 6	(1) provide funding for public elementary and secondary education, through continuation of the funding and formulas established under the programs commonly known as the Bridge to Excellence in Public Schools Act, first enacted by Chapter 288 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002, including the funding for regional differences in the cost of education under § 5–202(f) of the Education Article;
7 8 9	(2) provide funds to construct public school buildings and provide public school capital improvements in accordance with §§ 5–301 through 5–303 of the Education Article;
10 11	(3) provide funds for capital projects at community colleges and public senior higher education institutions; [and]
12 13	(4) provide funds to expand public early childhood education programs in the State;
14 15	(5) PROVIDE FUNDS FOR SECURITY PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT AT PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN THE STATE; AND
16 17 18	(6) PROVIDE FUNDS FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN THE STATE AND THEIR PARENTS OR GUARDIANS.
19 20	(d) Expenditures from the Education Trust Fund shall be made each fiscal year in accordance with the State budget.
21	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect