

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND  
LEGISLATIVE SESSION DAY 2017-14**

**BILL NO. 2017-15**

**Title of Bill:** Budget Transfer - Capital Budget - Board of Education - North East High School - Girls Locker Room

**Synopsis:** A Bill to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018 to transfer existing bond appropriation authority within the Board of Education Capital Projects Budget in the amount of \$81,574.42 from completed School Capital Projects (Perryville Elementary Renovations \$44,169.25, Cecilton Elementary Exterior Envelope \$4,399.47, Perryville High School Cooling Tower \$3,044, Boiler Replacement Projects at Kenmore, Thomson Estates Elementary, Cherry Hill Middle, and Bohemia Manor \$29,961.70) to the North East High Schools' Girls' Locker Room Renovation Project.

**Introduced by:** Council President on behalf of the County Executive

**Introduced, read first time and ordered posted on:** July 18, 2017

**Public hearing scheduled:** August 15, 2017 at: 7:00 p.m.

**Scheduled for Consideration:** September 5, 2017

By: James Massey  
Council Manager

**Public Hearing**

Notice of time and place of public hearing and title of Bill have been posted by July 18, 2017 at the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton and having been published according to the Charter on August 2, 2017 and August 9, 2017, a public hearing was held on August 15, 2017, and concluded on August 15, 2017.

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**Explanation:** CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING BILL.  
{Brackets} indicate matter deleted from existing law.  
Underlining indicates language added to Bill by amendment.  
~~Strike through~~ indicates language stricken out of Bill by amendment.

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1           **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 505 of the Cecil County Charter, on April 1, 2017, the County  
2 Executive submitted a proposed budget to the County Council for Fiscal Year 2018; and

3           **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 506 of the Cecil County Charter, the County Council held  
4 public hearings on the proposed budget submitted by the County Executive for Fiscal Year 2018; and

5           **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 507(b) of the Cecil County Charter, on June 15, 2017, the  
6 Budget for Cecil County was adopted for Fiscal Year 2018; and

7           **WHEREAS**, the County Executive is revising the Fiscal Year 2018 Board of Education Capital Projects  
8 Budget to transfer the unencumbered bond revenue and expense for Cecil County, Maryland remaining  
9 from the following completed and closed School Capital Projects:

- 10           a) To transfer \$44,169.25 from the completed Perryville Elementary Renovation project. The final  
11           cost of additional fixtures, furniture and equipment as well as interior and exterior security  
12           improvements were less than anticipated; and
- 13           b) To transfer \$4,399.47 from the Cecilton Elementary Exterior Envelope project. The final costs  
14           of restoring the building were less than anticipated, and
- 15           c) To transfer \$3,044 from the completed Perryville High School Cooling Tower project. The final  
16           costs of replacing the school's cooling tower were less than anticipated, and
- 17           d) To transfer \$29,961.70 from the Kenmore Elementary, Thomson Estates Elementary, Cherry Hill  
18           Middle, and Bohemia Manor Boiler Replacement projects. The final costs to complete were  
19           less than anticipated, and

20           **WHEREAS**, such appropriation of unencumbered bond revenue and expense totaling \$81,574.42 is  
21 requested to be transferred to the following project:

- 22           a) Transfer \$81,574.42 to the North East High Girls' Locker Room renovation project. The  
23           construction bid was publically opened on June 1, 2017. Bathon Builders was the only bid  
24           obtained at that time. The bid was higher than the original two year old budget estimate.  
25           Through negotiations, CCPS was able to value engineer some scope and materials to agree on a  
26           lower bid from Bathon Builders. The lower bid was accepted by the Board on June 12, 2017.  
27           The agreed upon bid award is still higher than the initial budget approved by the County, and

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28           **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY,**  
29   **MARYLAND,** that the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for Fiscal  
30 Year 2018 is hereby amended for the supplemental appropriation and by amending the Budget to  
31 appropriate the transfer of bond appropriations within the Board of Education Capital Projects Fund of  
32 \$81,574.42 from various capital projects (Perryville Elementary School Renovations \$44,169.25, Cecilton  
33 Elementary School Exterior Envelope \$4,399.47, Perryville High School Cooling Tower \$3,044, Boiler  
34 Replacement Projects at Kenmore Elementary School, Thomson Estates Elementary School, Cherry Hill  
35 Middle School, and Bohemia Manor High School \$29,961.70) to the North East High Schools' Girls' Locker  
36 Room Renovation Project.

37           **AND, BE IT FURTHER ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND,** that this  
38 Bill shall take effect 60 calendar days from the date it becomes law.

**CERTIFICATION**

I, HEREBY CERTIFY that the above Bill was posted for the public on the public bulletin board with the date, time and location of the public hearing meeting, copies were made available for the public, a copy was distributed to the press, and copy was made available on the Cecil County website.

  
BY: Council Manager

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is hereby submitted to the County Council of Cecil County, Maryland for enrollment as being the text as finally passed.

**CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT**

**ENROLLED**

James Massey  
Council Manager

Jayce Pawlskey  
Council President

Date: September 5, 2017

Date: September 5, 2017

**BY THE COUNCIL**

Read the third time.

**Passed – LSD 2017-17**

**Failed of Passage – LSD \_\_\_\_\_**

BY: James Massey  
Council Manager

**SEALED WITH THE COUNTY SEAL AND PRESENTED TO THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE for approval this**

6<sup>th</sup> day of September 2017 at 12:00 am/pm.  
(within 10 business days from adoption §306)

BY: James Massey  
Council Manager



BY THE EXECUTIVE:  
Al J. Melchior  
Cecil County Executive

**APPROVED Date:** 9.8.17

**VETOED Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(within 10 business days from presentation §306)

**BY THE COUNCIL**

**Bill No. 2017-15** having been approved by the Executive and returned to the Council becomes law on September 8, 2017 with an effective date of November 7, 2017

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Council Manager



# CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND

## DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

### FISCAL IMPACT NOTE

#### SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION

**SPONSOR:** Council President at the request of the County Executive

**BILL NO. 2017-15 – BUDGET AMENDMENT – BOARD OF EDUCATION CAPITAL BUDGET – TRANSFER UNSPENT BOND FUNDS FROM COMPLETED PROJECTS.**

**SYNOPSIS:** A bill to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018 to transfer existing bond appropriation authority within the Board of Education Capital Projects Budget in the amount of \$81,574.42 from completed School Capital Projects (Perryville Elementary Renovations \$44,169.25, Cecilton Elementary Exterior Envelope \$4,399.47, Perryville High School Cooling Tower \$3,044, Boiler Replacement Projects at Kenmore, Thomson Estates Elementary, Cherry Hill Middle, & Bo Manor \$29,961.70) to the North East High School Girls' Locker Room Renovation Project..

**FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY:** The approval of this bill will have no net financial effect on the Capital Improvement Program of Cecil County. The bill transfers existing bond appropriation authority and decreases the size of certain completed school capital projects to their final costs and requests that the unused bond funds be transferred to the North East High School Girls' Locker Room Renovation Project.

#### FISCAL ANALYSIS:

On July 12, 2017 a letter from Cecil County Public Schools to the County Executive indicated that multiple school construction projects are now completed, and the letter requested that the County bond budgets for specified projects be adjusted according to a provided schedule, which is listed below:

Project Description	Amount
Perryville Elementary Renovations	(44,169.25)
Cecilton Elementary Exterior Envelope	(4,399.47)
Perryville High Cooling Tower	(3,044.00)
Kenmore Elementary Boiler	(18,543.00)
Thomson Estates Boiler	(1,818.00)
Cherry Hill Middle Boiler	(9,283.00)
Bohemia Manor Boiler	(317.70)
North East High Girls Locker Room	81,574.42

The North East High School Girls' Locker Room project was publically bid on June 1, 2017. Bathon Builders was the only bidder to submit a bid on the project. The bid was higher than the original budget estimate that had been calculated two years prior. Through extensive negotiations, CCPS was able to value engineer some scope and materials to agree upon a revised lower bid, (\$351,574) however the amount was still in excess of the \$270,000 approved in the FY2018 CIP. The bid was accepted by the school Board on June 12, 2017.

The County has had a long standing policy to allow CCPS the discretion to request the transfer of unspent bonds funds within the Board of Education Capital Projects Budget in order to support the efforts of the school's successful fiscal management of capital projects.