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Executive Action _____
Effective Date _____

County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2025 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 1

Transfer of Appropriation Ordinance

No. 2 - Fiscal Year 2025

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

Short title: Transferring \$2,500,000 – E1038 Planning and Design

Title: AN ACT transferring \$2,500,000 from various School System capital projects to capital project E1038, Planning and Design, in order to fund two capital-needs studies.

Introduced and read first time _____, 2025. Ordered posted and hearing scheduled.

By order _____
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

Having been posted and notice of time & place of hearing & title of Bill having been published according to Charter, the Bill was read for a second time at a public hearing on _____, 2025.

By order _____
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

This Bill was read the third time on _____, 2025 and Passed ____, Passed with amendments _____, Failed _____.

By order _____
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

Sealed with the County Seal and presented to the County Executive for approval this ____ day of _____, 2025 at ____ a.m./p.m.

By order _____
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

Approved by the County Executive _____, 2025

Calvin Ball, County Executive

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing law; TEXT IN SMALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing law; ~~Strike-out~~ indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment.

1 **WHEREAS**, Section 609 of the Howard County Charter authorizes and empowers
2 the Howard County Council to make interproject transfers of appropriations between capital
3 projects in the capital budget and such transfers may be authorized by legislative act of the
4 Council upon request of the Executive; and

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6 **WHEREAS**, on May 22, 2024, the County Council passed Council Bill No. 27-2024
7 that adopted the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2025; and

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9 **WHEREAS**, the Board of Education and Superintendent of the Howard County
10 Public School System (“HCPSS”) have identified the need to complete studies for a Public
11 Private Partnership (P3) and a more comprehensive Educational Sufficiency Study of each
12 of the HCPSS facilities and it is estimated the total budget for the two studies will be
13 \$2,500,000; and

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15 **WHEREAS**, funding is available in the Capital Project, E1024, Hammond HS
16 Renovation and Addition; and

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18 **WHEREAS**, the funding available in Capital Project E1024, Hammond HS
19 Renovation and Addition (“E1024”), is bond funding which cannot be used for studies; and

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21 **WHEREAS**, accordingly, Capital Project E1058, Systemic Renovations and
22 Modernizations (“E1058”), is funded through several revenue sources including State Aid
23 for Schools, Bonds, Excise Tax, Pay-As-You-Go, and Transfer Tax and includes several
24 capital projects which are bondable expenses; and

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26 **WHEREAS**, the first part of this transfer will move bond funding from Capital
27 Project E1024 to Capital Project E1058; and

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29 **WHEREAS**, within Capital Project E1058, the \$2,500,000 in bond funding will
30 supplant the same amount of transfer tax funding that will be transferred to E1038, Planning
31 and Design, in order to fund the studies, the second part of the transfer; and

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2 **WHEREAS**, HCPSS has indicated that the funds are available for transfer from the
3 respective projects.

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5 **Section 1. Be It Enacted by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland, that, subject**
6 **to the provisions of Maryland law, the Howard County Charter, and the Howard County**
7 **Code relating to budgetary and fiscal procedures, the amount hereafter specified is hereby**
8 **approved, appropriated, and authorized to be disbursed for the general County purposes**
9 **specified and in sums itemized for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June**
10 **30, 2025, as hereinafter indicated:**

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Transfer - 1						
	Project #	Project Name	Unencumbered Project Balance	Transfer Amount	Resulting Balance	Revenue Type
Donor	E-1024	Hammond High School Reno/Add	\$4,955,295	(\$2,500,000)	\$2,455,295	County Bond Funding
Recipient	E-1058	Systemic Renovations	\$80,200,197	\$2,500,000	\$82,700,197	County Bond Funding

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Transfer - 2						
	Project #	Project Name	Unencumbered Project Balance	Transfer Amount	Resulting Balance	Revenue Type
Donor	E-1058	Systemic Renovations	\$82,700,197	(\$2,500,000)	\$80,200,197	County Transfer Tax Funding
Recipient	E-1038	Planning and Design	\$609,949	\$2,500,000	\$3,109,949	County Transfer Tax Funding

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14 **Section 2. And Be It Further Enacted by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland**
15 **that this Transfer of Appropriation Ordinance shall be effective upon its enactment.**