

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 10-0631
(Resolution)**

Introduced by: President Young, Councilmembers Kraft, Clarke, Henry, Stokes, Branch,
D'Adamo, Reisinger, Curran

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Assigned to: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Finance, Baltimore City
Public School System, Board of Estimates

A RESOLUTION ENTITLED

1 A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL concerning

2 **Charter Amendment – Nonlapsing Funds for Quality Schools –**
3 **Reinvesting in our Youth**

4 FOR the purpose of expressly authorizing the establishment of 1 or more continuing, nonlapsing
5 funds for purposes of enhancing the educational environment in Baltimore City, by creating
6 modern state-of-the-art schools; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the
7 City for adoption or rejection.

8 By proposing to add

9 Article I - General Provisions

10 Section(s) 12

11 Baltimore City Charter

12 (1996 Edition)

13 **SECTION 1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE,** That the
14 City Charter is proposed to be amended to read as follows:

15 **Baltimore City Charter**

16 **Article I. General Provisions**

17 **§ 12. SPECIAL FUNDS FOR EDUCATION.**

18 (A) *AUTHORIZATION.*

19 (1) BY ORDINANCE, THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE MAY ESTABLISH 1
20 OR MORE CONTINUING, NONLAPSING FUNDS FOR PURPOSES OF ENHANCING THE
21 EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT IN BALTIMORE CITY BY CREATING MODERN, STATE-OF-
22 THE-ART SCHOOLS.

23 (2) THESE PURPOSES INCLUDE SUPPORTING AND AUGMENTING PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES
24 OF THE BALTIMORE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM THAT ARE DESIGNED TO:

EXPLANATION: Underlining indicates matter added by amendment.
~~Strike out~~ indicates matter deleted by amendment.

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- 1 (I) INCREASE NEW SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION;
- 2 (II) RENOVATE AND IMPROVE EXISTING CITY SCHOOL BUILDING;
- 3 (III) RENEW ATHLETIC FACILITIES AND EXPAND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES; AND
- 4 (IV) MODERNIZE EDUCATION-RELATED EQUIPMENT AND CURRICULUM.

5 (B) *REVENUE SOURCES.*

6 A FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SECTION MAY COMPRISE:

- 7 (1) MONEY APPROPRIATED TO THE FUND IN THE ANNUAL ORDINANCES OF ESTIMATES;
- 8 (2) GRANTS OR DONATIONS MADE TO THE FUND; AND
- 9 (3) PROCEEDS FROM FINES, FEES, AND PROGRAMS, AS DEDICATED TO THE FUND BY
- 10 ORDINANCE.

11 (C) *CONTINUING NATURE OF FUND.*

12 NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS CHARTER, UNSPENT PORTIONS OF A

13 FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SECTION:

- 14 (1) REMAIN IN THE FUND, TO BE USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR THEIR ORDAINED PURPOSES;
- 15 (2) DO NOT REVERT TO THE GENERAL REVENUES OF THE CITY; AND
- 16 (3) THEIR APPROPRIATIONS DO NOT LAPSE.

17 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That this proposed amendment to the City

18 Charter be submitted to the legal and qualified voters of Baltimore City, for adoption or

19 rejection, in accordance with Article XI-A, § 5 of the Maryland Constitution, in the form

20 specified by the City Solicitor.