

(5) Examine the State election code as it relates to changes needed to implement public funding of election campaigns; and

(6) On or before December 31, 2002, report its finding and recommendations, including any proposed statutory changes to the Maryland election laws, to the Governor, and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly for consideration by the General Assembly in the 2003 Session.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2002. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of June 30, 2003, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved April 25, 2002.

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## CHAPTER 170

### (Senate Bill 480)

AN ACT concerning

### **School Buying Consortium - County Boards of Education - Procurement - Exceptions**

FOR the purpose of authorizing a county board to participate in certain contracts for goods or commodities; authorizing the advertisement of bids for certain procurements in certain media; authorizing nonpublic schools to participate in certain contracts for goods or commodities; and requiring the Department of Education to establish a process that allows access to certain information.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Education

Section 5-112

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume)

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

### **Article - Education**

5-112.

(a) This section does not apply to:

(1) Contracts for the purchase of books and other materials of instruction as defined in the State Department of Education Financial Reporting Manual; [and]

(2) Emergency repairs; AND