

Council, et al, case no. MJG-84-1911, United States District Court for the District of Maryland. After conducting six quarterly meetings, the State Superintendent and the Chief Executive Officer shall have the discretion, acting jointly, to modify the communication schedule upon providing the basis for any modification to the General Assembly.

SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the State Department of Education, the Interagency Committee on Public School Construction, and the Baltimore City Public School System shall develop a mechanism for communication at a minimum on a quarterly basis among key executive level representatives of each entity to address issues relating to facilities planning in the Baltimore City Public School System, including the capital improvement program issues. After a minimum of six quarterly meetings, the State Superintendent shall have the discretion to modify the communication arrangement upon providing the basis for any modification to the General Assembly.

~~SECTION 8. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That on or before June 30, 2003, Baltimore City shall bear the costs and complete the transfer of clear and merchantable title of any real property assets associated with the operations of the Baltimore City Public School System to the legal possession of the Board of School Commissioners. By June 30, 2002, the Baltimore City Public School System shall submit to the State Department of Education for its approval a written plan to accomplish the required property transfer by June 30, 2003.~~

SECTION 8. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That on or before June 30, 2003, Baltimore City shall transfer real property assets associated with the operations of the Baltimore City Public School System, part or all of which were funded by at least \$1 million in debt issued by Baltimore City after July 1, 1997, to the legal possession of the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners. The remaining real property assets associated with the operations of the Baltimore City Public School System shall be transferred by Baltimore City to the legal possession of the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners in approximately equal annual portions by June 30, 2009. Baltimore City shall bear the costs of the transfers by clear and merchantable title. By June 30, 2002, Baltimore City and the Baltimore City Public School System shall prepare a written plan to accomplish the property transfers. The plan may provide for the transfer of additional real property assets by June 30, 2003 if there is no Baltimore City debt outstanding for improvements or modifications to the real property assets. The written plan shall be submitted to the State Department of Education for its approval. Subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, a copy of the written plan shall be submitted to the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee, the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee, the House Appropriations Committee, and the House Ways and Means Committee.

SECTION 9. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding §§ 4-114 and 4-115 of the Education Article as amended by Chapter 105 of the Acts of 1997, the Board of Public Works, for the period from July 1, 1991 1997 through June 30, 2009, may approve State funding for capital improvements to public school buildings in Baltimore City on property held under a clear deed and title by either the