

Chapter 288 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002 and Chapter 388 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2003

Section 1

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

Chapter 280 of the Acts of 2001, as amended by Chapter 288 of the Acts of 2002 and Chapter 388 of the Acts of 2003

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, for fiscal years 2002 through [2005] 2007, in each year, the State shall provide 90 percent of the eligible costs for up to and including \$20 million in public school construction projects in Baltimore City, and for funding above \$20 million, the State shall provide 75 percent of the eligible costs.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2004.

May 26, 2004

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 416 – *Procurement – Board of Contract Appeals – Jurisdiction over State Claims*.

This bill authorizes an interested party to appeal a final action on a procurement contract claim made by a State agency to the State Board of Contract Appeals. It alters the jurisdiction of the Appeals Board, and clarifies that specified claims procedures for a procurement contract apply only to a claim by a contractor. It also authorizes the award of interest to a State agency under a procurement contract claim.

House Bill 767, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 11, 2004, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 416.

Very truly yours,
Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.
Governor

Senate Bill No. 416

AN ACT concerning