

REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

(4) IF A LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEM HAS A DEFICIT:

(I) THE OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AUDITS MAY REQUEST ANY FINANCIAL INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THE DEFICIT AND THE CORRECTIVE ACTION COST CONTAINMENT PLAN; AND

(II) THE LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT OR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF A LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEM SHALL PROVIDE THE REQUESTED INFORMATION.

~~(E)~~ (F) IF A LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEM FAILS TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION, THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, SHALL NOTIFY THE STATE COMPTROLLER, WHO SHALL WITHHOLD 10% OF THE NEXT INSTALLMENT AND EACH SUBSEQUENT INSTALLMENT DUE THE LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEM FROM THE GENERAL STATE SCHOOL FUND UNTIL THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT NOTIFIES THE COMPTROLLER THAT THE LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEM IS IN FULL COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION.

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(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

(2) "Local performance standards" means standards for student and school performance developed by a county board.

(3) "Plan" means a comprehensive master plan.

(4) "State performance standards" means standards for student and school performance approved by the State Board.

(b) (1) Each county board shall develop and implement a comprehensive master plan that describes the goals, objectives, and strategies that will be used to improve student achievement and meet State performance standards and local performance standards in each segment of the student population.

(2) (i) Each county board shall submit a plan to the Department on or before October 1, 2003.

(ii) At least 60 days before submitting a plan to the Department, a county board shall provide a copy of the plan to the:

1. County council and if applicable, county executive; or
2. County commissioners.

(3) Subject to subsection ~~(h)~~ (l) of this section, the plan shall:

(i) Extend for a 5-year period beginning with the 2003-2004 school year; and