

BY: Committee on Ways and Means

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 349
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “and Stocksdale” and substitute “Stocksdale, and Smigiel”; in line 2, strike “Maintenance of Effort – Lease Payment Exclusion” and substitute “Study of Alternative Financing Methods for the Purpose of School Construction”; strike beginning with “excluding” in line 3 down through “funding” in line 5 and substitute “requiring the Department of Legislative Services to conduct a certain study on the use of certain alternative financing methods by certain local school systems for school construction; requiring the Department to make a certain report on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the Study of Alternative Financing Methods for the Purpose of School Construction”; and strike in their entirety lines 6 through 11, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 13, strike “the Laws of Maryland read as follows”; and after line 13, insert:

“(a) The Department of Legislative Services shall conduct a study that examines the use of lease payments or other alternative financing methods as defined in § 4-126 of the Education Article by local school systems for school construction.

(b) In conducting the study, the Department shall examine how lease payments and alternative financing methods affect the maintenance of effort calculation established in § 5-202 of the Education Article.

(c) On or before December 15, 2014, the Department shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.”.

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On pages 1 and 2, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 14 on page 1 through line 12 on page 2, inclusive.

On page 2, strike beginning with the second comma in line 14 down through “6” in line 16.