

# HOUSE BILL 1346

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By: **Delegates Haynes, Chang, Corderman, Jackson, and McKay**

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Safety – Student Peer Mediation Program Fund – Establishment**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the Student Peer Mediation Program Fund as a special,  
4 nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose, use, and contents of the Fund; requiring the  
5 Executive Director of the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention to  
6 administer the Fund; requiring the State Treasurer to hold the Fund and the  
7 Comptroller, in conjunction with the Executive Director, to account for the Fund;  
8 requiring the Governor annually to appropriate a certain amount for the Fund;  
9 providing for the investment of money in and expenditures from the Fund; providing  
10 that expenditures from the Fund may be made only in accordance with the State  
11 budget; providing that the accounts and transactions of the Fund shall be subject to  
12 a certain audit; requiring the Executive Director to establish certain procedures for  
13 the disbursement of money from the Fund and, subject to a certain priority, award  
14 grants from the Fund; requiring that an applicant provide the Executive Director  
15 with certain information; specifying that money distributed from the Fund shall be  
16 used to supplement, and not supplant, certain other funding; requiring interest  
17 earnings of the Fund to be credited to the Fund; exempting the Fund from a certain  
18 provision of law requiring interest earnings on State money to accrue to the General  
19 Fund; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Student Peer Mediation  
20 Program Fund.

21 BY adding to

22 Article – Public Safety

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 Section 4–1201 through 4–1203 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 12. Student  
2 Peer Mediation Program Fund”  
3 Annotated Code of Maryland  
4 (2018 Replacement Volume)

5 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
6 Article – State Finance and Procurement  
7 Section 6–226(a)(2)(i)  
8 Annotated Code of Maryland  
9 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
11 Article – State Finance and Procurement  
12 Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)112. and 113.  
13 Annotated Code of Maryland  
14 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

15 BY adding to  
16 Article – State Finance and Procurement  
17 Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)114.  
18 Annotated Code of Maryland  
19 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

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

22 **Article – Public Safety**

23 **SUBTITLE 12. STUDENT PEER MEDIATION PROGRAM FUND.**

24 **4–1201.**

25 (A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS  
26 INDICATED.

27 (B) “EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR” MEANS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE  
28 GOVERNOR’S OFFICE OF CRIME CONTROL AND PREVENTION.

29 (C) “FUND” MEANS THE STUDENT PEER MEDIATION PROGRAM FUND.

30 (D) “STUDENT PEER MEDIATION PROGRAM” MEANS A PROGRAM THAT  
31 TRAINS STUDENTS IN CONFLICT RESOLUTION.

32 **4–1202.**

33 (A) THERE IS A STUDENT PEER MEDIATION PROGRAM FUND.

1           **(B) THE PURPOSE OF THE FUND IS TO PROVIDE GRANT ASSISTANCE TO**  
2 **SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS IN BALTIMORE CITY TO**  
3 **ESTABLISH STUDENT PEER MEDIATION PROGRAMS TO REDUCE JUVENILE**  
4 **VIOLENCE.**

5           **(C) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL ADMINISTER THE FUND.**

6           **(D) (1) THE FUND IS A SPECIAL, NONLAPSING FUND THAT IS NOT**  
7 **SUBJECT TO § 7-302 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.**

8           **(2) THE STATE TREASURER SHALL HOLD THE FUND SEPARATELY**  
9 **AND THE COMPTROLLER, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,**  
10 **SHALL ACCOUNT FOR THE FUND.**

11           **(E) (1) THE FUND CONSISTS OF:**

12                           **(I) MONEY APPROPRIATED IN THE STATE BUDGET TO THE**  
13 **FUND;**

14                           **(II) INVESTMENT EARNINGS OF THE FUND; AND**

15                           **(III) MONEY FROM ANY OTHER SOURCE ACCEPTED FOR THE**  
16 **BENEFIT OF THE FUND.**

17           **(2) THE GOVERNOR ANNUALLY SHALL APPROPRIATE AT LEAST**  
18 **~~\$250,000~~ \$100,000 FOR THE FUND.**

19           **(F) THE FUND MAY BE USED ONLY TO PROVIDE GRANT ASSISTANCE TO**  
20 **SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS IN BALTIMORE CITY TO**  
21 **ESTABLISH STUDENT PEER MEDIATION PROGRAMS TO REDUCE JUVENILE**  
22 **VIOLENCE.**

23           **(G) (1) THE STATE TREASURER SHALL INVEST THE MONEY OF THE FUND**  
24 **IN THE SAME MANNER AS OTHER STATE MONEY MAY BE INVESTED.**

25                           **(2) ANY INTEREST EARNINGS OF THE FUND SHALL BE CREDITED TO**  
26 **THE FUND.**

27           **(H) EXPENDITURES FROM THE FUND MAY BE MADE ONLY IN ACCORDANCE**  
28 **WITH THE STATE BUDGET.**

1           **(I) THE ACCOUNTS AND TRANSACTIONS OF THE FUND SHALL BE SUBJECT**  
2 **TO AUDIT BY THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR AS PROVIDED IN § 2-1220 OF THE STATE**  
3 **GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.**

4 **4-1203.**

5           **(A) (1) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR**  
6 **SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS IN BALTIMORE CITY TO APPLY**  
7 **FOR GRANTS FROM THE FUND.**

8           **(2) A SCHOOL OR A COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATION THAT**  
9 **APPLIES FOR A GRANT FROM THE FUND SHALL PROVIDE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**  
10 **WITH:**

11                   **(I) A PLAN THAT DETAILS HOW THE PROPOSED PROGRAM WILL**  
12 **TRAIN STUDENTS IN CONFLICT RESOLUTION TECHNIQUES; AND**

13                   **(II) ANY INFORMATION THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DEEMS**  
14 **NECESSARY.**

15           **(B) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL MAKE GRANTS FROM THE FUND TO**  
16 **SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS IN BALTIMORE CITY.**

17           **(C) MONEY DISBURSED FROM THE FUND SHALL BE USED TO SUPPLEMENT,**  
18 **AND NOT SUPPLANT, ANY OTHER FUNDING THAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE AVAILABLE**  
19 **TO SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS IN BALTIMORE CITY.**

20                                   **Article – State Finance and Procurement**

21 **6-226.**

22           (a) (2) (i) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, and unless  
23 inconsistent with a federal law, grant agreement, or other federal requirement or with the  
24 terms of a gift or settlement agreement, net interest on all State money allocated by the  
25 State Treasurer under this section to special funds or accounts, and otherwise entitled to  
26 receive interest earnings, as accounted for by the Comptroller, shall accrue to the General  
27 Fund of the State.

28                   (ii) The provisions of subparagraph (i) of this paragraph do not apply  
29 to the following funds:

30                                   112. the Pretrial Services Program Grant Fund; [and]

31                                   113. the Veteran Employment and Transition Success Fund;

32 **AND**

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**114. THE STUDENT PEER MEDIATION PROGRAM FUND.**

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SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July

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1, 2019.

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Governor.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.

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President of the Senate.