

CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

FISCAL IMPACT NOTE

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION

SPONSOR: Council President at the request of the County Executive

RESOLUTION NO. 70-2016 - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - MARYLAND SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

SYNOPSIS - A resolution to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017 in order to provide an additional appropriation of \$2,050 for the Maryland School for the Blind budget within the General Fund.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY</u>: The approval of this resolution will have a net negative fiscal impact in fiscal year 2017 by reducing fund balance by \$2,050.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The Annotated Code of Maryland § 8-310 Maryland School for the Blind -- Payments by counties states, "Each county board shall pay the Maryland School for the Blind an amount equal to the local share of the basic cost as defined in § 8-415(d) (1) of this title, for each blind child who is sent to the school from the county each year to support the cost of instructional programming. (2) Each county governing body shall include a child sent to the Maryland School for the Blind under paragraph (1) of this subsection in the full-time equivalent enrollment used for calculating the required local funds appropriated under §5-202(d) of this article."

This resolution will appropriate an additional \$2,050 of budget within the General Fund expenditure account that pays the tuition to the Maryland School for the Blind for four Cecil County students. The fiscal year 2017 budget did not calculate an increase in tuition being charged to the County by the School. The cost per student to the County for fiscal year 2017 is \$3,932 per student; an increase of \$512 when compared to the previous fiscal year.