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ACTION ALERT - Threat to State Education Funding!

CALL YOUR LEGISLATORS & ASK THEM NOT TO SHIFT TEACHERS' PENSIONS

The Senate and House Conference Committee are meeting now to iron out the differences in the budget. The Senate proposes to shift teacher pension costs to the school systems permanently, which will cost Baltimore City Schools, and other districts, over \$330 million. School districts will inevitably cut funding from the classrooms to cover pensions, which will likely lead to a loss of teachers, art/music programs, and other school-based services.

CALL AND EMAIL MD LEGISLATORS IN THIS ORDER OF IMPORTANCE:

- 1.) Call Speaker Busch
- 2.) Call Senator McFadden, Baltimore City Conference Committee Member
- 3.) Call your legislators on House Appropriations and Senate Budget and Taxation Committees

Your message: "I am calling to ask you to support the House version of the budget in the conference committee! Please do not shift teacher pensions to our schools."

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**Baltimore City Schools Budget Work
Session & Forum for City Schools' FY11
Budget - Tomorrow, April 7**

Baltimore City Schools will host its annual Budget Work Session and Forum for the City Schools' FY11 Budget, on Wednesday, April 7th from 5 to 7pm in the 1st floor board room of Baltimore City Public Schools Headquarters, 200 East North Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21202

The work session is from 5-6PM and open to the public, but closed for public comment. The Forum is 6-7PM and open for the public to speak.

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