

(b) Upon receipt of a petition, the State Board for Community Colleges shall make a written report to the Board of Public Works describing the request for financial assistance and recommending a disposition. Each report of the State Board for Community Colleges shall contain its determination of the priority of needs for public junior, community, ~~or~~ and regional community college facilities among the counties and the City of Baltimore. The State Board for Community Colleges also shall submit to the State Board for Higher Education a copy of each petition and project proposal.

(c) No grant of financial assistance may be made until the grant has been approved by the Board of Public Works and until the Board of Public Works has certified to the Treasurer and the Comptroller the allocation of State funds. The Comptroller shall issue a warrant to the Treasurer to pay the allocated funds to the county or counties, or the City of Baltimore, when needed for the design and construction of an approved project and for the acquisition of property. The decision of the Board of Public Works shall be in such form as the Board deems proper and shall be conclusive upon all parties.

(d) The amount of financial assistance granted under this Act to any county, to the City of Baltimore, or the counties that support a regional community college, for any public junior, community, or regional community college capital project, shall be as follows:

(i) For regional community colleges established pursuant to § 16-302 of the Education Article, 75 percent of the total construction costs, including site acquisition and development costs; and

(ii) For public junior or community colleges that are not regional community colleges, the greater of:

1. The amount determined by multiplying the total construction costs, including site acquisition and development costs, by a percentage equal to that percentage of the expenditure for basic current expenses that the State pays, pursuant to § 5-202(b) of the Education Article, to that county or the City of Baltimore in which the public junior or community college is located; or

2. One-half of the total construction costs, including site acquisition and development costs.