

**BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**DATE:** December 16, 2008

**TO:** **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**FROM:** Dr. Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent

**SUBJECT:** **REPORT ON PROPOSED DELETION OF POLICY 7320 – NEW CONSTRUCTION: PAYMENTS TO CONTRACTORS**

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**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Board of Education reviews the proposed deletion of Policy 7320. This is the first reading.

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Attachment I – Policy Analysis 7320  
Attachment II – Policy 7320

**Policy Analysis for  
Board of Education Policy 7320  
Payments to Contractors**

Statement of Issues or Questions Addressed

Board of Education Policy 7320 is recommended for deletion because the policy for payments is addressed in Board of Education Policy 3215 – *Contracts*.

Cost Analysis and Fiscal Impact on School System

No fiscal impact is anticipated by the deletion of this policy.

Relationship to Other Board of Education Policies

Board of Education Policy 3215, *Contracts*.

Legal Requirement

None

Similar Policies Adopted by Other School Systems

None

Draft of Proposed Policy (see attached)

Other Alternatives Considered by Staff

None

Timeline:

First reading: December 16, 2008

Public comment: January 13, 2009

Third reading: February 10, 2009

NEW CONSTRUCTION: Financing

Payments to Contractors

The Superintendent of Schools shall establish administrative procedures governing payments made to a contractor during the construction phase of a new school project. The total of such payments shall not exceed the contract total approved by the Board of Education plus the change order allowance. These procedures, moreover, shall conform with pertinent laws and regulations and shall protect the Board of Education's interest in the successful and timely completion of the project free and clear of all liens, claims, security interests or other encumbrances.