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1 AN ACT concerning

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Creation of a State Debt - Calvert County - Calvert Memorial Hospital

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$100,000,

- 4 the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of Calvert Memorial
- 5 Hospital, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for

6 disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee

7 provide and expend a matching fund; and providing generally for the issuance

8 and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

9 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 10 MARYLAND, That:

(1) The Board of Public Works may borrow money and incur indebtedness on
behalf of the State of Maryland through a State loan to be known as the Calvert
County - Calvert Memorial Hospital Loan of 1999 in a total principal amount equal to
the lesser of (i) \$100,000 or (ii) the amount of the matching fund provided in
accordance with Section 1(5) below. This loan shall be evidenced by the issuance, sale,
and delivery of State general obligation bonds authorized by a resolution of the Board
of Public Works and issued, sold, and delivered in accordance with §§ 8-117 through
8-124 of the State Finance and Procurement Article and Article 31, § 22 of the Code.

19 (2) The bonds to evidence this loan or installments of this loan may be sold as20 a single issue or may be consolidated and sold as part of a single issue of bonds under21 § 8-122 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

(3) The cash proceeds of the sale of the bonds shall be paid to the Treasurer and first shall be applied to the payment of the expenses of issuing, selling, and delivering the bonds, unless funds for this purpose are otherwise provided, and then

25 shall be credited on the books of the Comptroller and expended, on approval by the

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1 Board of Public Works, for the following public purposes, including any applicable

2 architects' and engineers' fees: as a grant to the Board of Directors of Calvert

3 Memorial Hospital, Inc. (referred to hereafter in this Act as "the grantee") for the

4 acquisition, planning, design, renovation, repair, construction, and capital equipping

5 of a free/low cost primary care and preventive services medical center, to be located in

6 the North Beach/Chesapeake Beach area.

7 (4) An annual State tax is imposed on all assessable property in the State in 8 rate and amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds, as and 9 when due and until paid in full. The principal shall be discharged within 15 years 10 after the date of issuance of the bonds.

11 (5)Prior to the payment of any funds under the provisions of this Act for the 12 purposes set forth in Section 1(3) above, the grantee shall provide and expend a 13 matching fund. No part of the grantee's matching fund may be provided, either 14 directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether appropriated or 15 unappropriated. No part of the fund may consist of real property or in kind 16 contributions. The fund may consist of funds expended prior to the effective date of 17 this Act. In case of any dispute as to the amount of the matching fund or what money 18 or assets may qualify as matching funds, the Board of Public Works shall determine 19 the matter and the Board's decision is final. The grantee has until June 1, 2001, to 20 present evidence satisfactory to the Board of Public Works that a matching fund will 21 be provided. If satisfactory evidence is presented, the Board shall certify this fact and 22 the amount of the matching fund to the State Treasurer, and the proceeds of the loan 23 equal to the amount of the matching fund shall be expended for the purposes provided 24 in this Act. Any amount of the loan in excess of the amount of the matching fund certified by the Board of Public Works shall be canceled and be of no further effect. 25

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 27 June 1, 1999.

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