SENATE BILL 869

By: **Senator Pipkin** Introduced and read first time: February 17, 2011 Assigned to: Rules

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Creation of a State Debt – Queen Anne's County – Chesterwye Center – 3 Jessie's House

- FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$125,000,
 the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Chesterwye
 Center, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for
 disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee
 provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the
 encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for
 the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.
- 11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 12 MARYLAND, That:

13 The Board of Public Works may borrow money and incur indebtedness on (1)behalf of the State of Maryland through a State loan to be known as the Queen Anne's 14 15County – Chesterwye Center – Jessie's House Loan of 2011 in a total principal amount 16 equal to the lesser of (i) \$125,000 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, 17 18 and delivery of State general obligation bonds authorized by a resolution of the Board 19of Public Works and issued, sold, and delivered in accordance with §§ 8–117 through 208-124 of the State Finance and Procurement Article and Article 31, § 22 of the Code.

- (2) The bonds to evidence this loan or installments of this loan may be sold
 as a single issue or may be consolidated and sold as part of a single issue of bonds
 under § 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 shall be credited on the books of the Comptroller and expended, on approval by the

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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Board of Public Works, for the following public purposes, including any applicable architects' and engineers' fees: as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Chesterwye Center, Inc. (referred to hereafter in this Act as "the grantee") for the planning, design, construction, and capital equipping of Jessie's House, which will provide full-time residential placement for adults with intellectual disabilities, located in Grasonville.

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

10 (5)Prior to the payment of any funds under the provisions of this Act for the purposes set forth in Section 1(3) above, the grantee shall provide and expend a 11 matching fund. No part of the grantee's matching fund may be provided, either 1213 directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether appropriated or unappropriated. The fund may consist of real property, in kind contributions, or funds 14expended prior to the effective date of this Act. In case of any dispute as to the amount 1516 of the matching fund or what money or assets may qualify as matching funds, the 17Board of Public Works shall determine the matter and the Board's decision is final. 18The grantee has until June 1, 2013, to present evidence satisfactory to the Board of 19Public Works that a matching fund will be provided. If satisfactory evidence is 20presented, the Board shall certify this fact and the amount of the matching fund to the 21State Treasurer, and the proceeds of the loan equal to the amount of the matching 22fund shall be expended for the purposes provided in this Act. Any amount of the loan 23in excess of the amount of the matching fund certified by the Board of Public Works 24shall be canceled and be of no further effect.

(6) The proceeds of the loan must be expended or encumbered by the Board
of Public Works for the purposes provided in this Act no later than June 1, 2018. If any
funds authorized by this Act remain unexpended or unencumbered after June 1, 2018,
the amount of the unencumbered or unexpended authorization shall be canceled and
be of no further effect. If bonds have been issued for the loan, the amount of
unexpended or unencumbered bond proceeds shall be disposed of as provided in
§ 8–129 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

32 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 33 June 1, 2011.

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