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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

Senate Bill 931

(Senator Astle)

Budget and Taxation

Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2008 - Anne Arundel County - Deale Elementary School Baseball Fields

This bill changes the purpose of the grants authorized by the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2008 to the County Executive and County Council of Anne Arundel County so the funds may be used for the planning, design, construction, and renovation of lights and field improvements to baseball fields at Southern Middle School in Lothian rather than at Deale Elementary School in Deale.

The bill takes effect June 1, 2012.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The bill does not materially affect State operations or finances.

Local Effect: Absent the bill, Anne Arundel County could lose access to the \$125,000 in matching funds authorized for this project.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Chapter 336 of 2008 authorized up to \$125,000 to the County Executive and County Council of Anne Arundel County for the planning, design, construction, and renovation of lights and field improvements to baseball fields at Deale Elementary School. Matching funds may not consist of real property, in-kind contributions, or funds expended prior to the June 1, 2008 effective date of Chapter 336.

Background: Anne Arundel County, the grantee, reports that, due to buried power lines at Deale Elementary School, the planned field improvements at the school are prohibitively expensive. Therefore, the county has decided to implement a similar project at Southern Middle School, where there are no buried power lines. The Southern Middle School field improvements will serve a similar population as the original project because Deale Elementary School feeds into Southern Middle School. The schools are approximately six miles apart.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: HB 410 (Delegate Costa) - Appropriations.

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