SENATE BILL 207

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By: **Senator Miller** Introduced and read first time: January 20, 2016 Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Prince George's County – Community Support Systems Food Pantry

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$10,000, the
proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Community Support
Systems, 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.

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

13The 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 Prince George's 14 15County – Community Support Systems Food Pantry Loan of 2016 in a total principal amount equal to the lesser of (i) \$10,000 or (ii) the amount of the matching fund provided 16in accordance with Section 1(5) below. This loan shall be evidenced by the issuance, sale, 17and delivery of State general obligation bonds authorized by a resolution of the Board of 18Public Works and issued, sold, and delivered in accordance with §§ 8-117 through 8-124 1920and 8-131.2 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

(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 Board of Public Works, for

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



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the following public purposes, including any applicable architects' and engineers' fees: as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Community Support Systems, Inc. (referred to hereafter in this Act as "the grantee") for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Community Support Systems Food Pantry, including the construction and expansion of a ramp and loading dock for the food pantry, located in Prince George's County.

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

11 Prior to the payment of any funds under the provisions of this Act for the (5)12purposes set forth in Section 1(3) above, the grantee shall provide and expend a matching 13fund. No part of the grantee's matching fund may be provided, either directly or indirectly, 14from funds of the State, whether appropriated or unappropriated. The fund may consist of 15real property, in kind contributions, or funds expended prior to the effective date of this 16Act. In case of any dispute as to the amount of the matching fund or what money or assets 17may qualify as matching funds, the Board of Public Works shall determine the matter and 18the Board's decision is final. The grantee has until June 1, 2018, to present evidence satisfactory to the Board of Public Works that a matching fund will be provided. If 19 20satisfactory evidence is presented, the Board shall certify this fact and the amount of the 21matching fund to the State Treasurer, and the proceeds of the loan equal to the amount of 22the matching fund shall be expended for the purposes provided in this Act. Any amount of 23the loan in excess of the amount of the matching fund certified by the Board of Public Works 24shall be canceled and be of no further effect.

25(6)The proceeds of the loan must be expended or encumbered by the Board of 26Public Works for the purposes provided in this Act no later than June 1, 2023. If any funds 27authorized by this Act remain unexpended or unencumbered after June 1, 2023, the 28amount of the unencumbered or unexpended authorization shall be canceled and be of no 29further effect. If bonds have been issued for the loan, the amount of unexpended or 30 unencumbered bond proceeds shall be disposed of provided as in 31§ 8–129 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

32 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June
 33 1, 2016.

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