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**By: Allegany County Delegation**

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

**2 Creation of a State Debt - Circuit Court for Allegany County - Courthouse**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$260,000,  
4 the proceeds to be used as a grant to the County Commissioners of Allegany County  
5 for certain acquisition, development, or improvement purposes; providing for  
6 disbursement of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and  
7 sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

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

10 (1) The Board of Public Works may borrow money and incur indebtedness on  
11 behalf of the State of Maryland through a State loan to be known as the Circuit Court for  
12 Allegany County - Courthouse Loan of 1996 in the total principal amount of \$260,000.  
13 This loan shall be evidenced by the issuance, sale, and delivery of State general obligation  
14 bonds authorized by a resolution of the Board of Public Works and issued, sold, and  
15 delivered in accordance with §§ 8-117 through 8-124 of the State Finance and  
16 Procurement Article and Article 31, § 22 of the Code.

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

20 (3) The cash proceeds of the sale of the bonds shall be paid to the Treasurer and  
21 first shall be applied to the payment of the expenses of issuing, selling, and delivering the  
22 bonds, unless funds for this purpose are otherwise provided, and then shall be credited on  
23 the books of the Comptroller and expended, on approval by the Board of Public Works,  
24 for the following public purposes, including any applicable architects' and engineers' fees:  
25 as a grant to the County Commissioners of Allegany County for the planning, design,  
26 repair, renovation, reconstruction, and equipping of the circuit courthouse in  
27 Cumberland in Allegany County, including the installation of a security elevator, new  
28 holding cells, and other security measures, these capital improvements being necessitated  
29 by the increased case load for the Circuit Court for Allegany County, resulting from the  
30 construction of the new correctional facility in Allegany County.

31 (4) An annual State tax is imposed on all assessable property in the State in rate  
32 and amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds, as and when due

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1 and until paid in full. The principal shall be discharged within 15 years after the date of  
2 issuance of the bonds.

3 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
4 June 1, 1996.