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CHAPTER ____

1 AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt - Prince George's County - North Brentwood Town Hall and Museum Project

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the

5 proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and Town Council of North Brentwood

6 for certain acquisition, development, or improvement purposes; providing for

7 disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirementthat the

8 Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission provide and expend a

9 matching fund; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds

10 evidencing the loan.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OFMARYLAND, 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 thePrince George's
County - North Brentwood Town Hall and Museum Project Loan of 1996 in atotal
principal amount equal to the lesser of (i) \$250,000 or (ii) the amount of the matching
fund provided in accordance with Section 1(5) below. This loan shall beevidenced 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 accordancewith §§ 8-117
through 8-124 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 maybe 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.

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(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 the following public purposes, including any applicable architects'and engineers' fees:
 as a grant to the Mayor and Town Council of North Brentwood for the acquisition of a
 site and demolition of an existing structure, and for the design, planning, and renovation
 of a building that will contain a town office, museum, kitchen, and police office for North
 Brentwood, and for associated street work.

10 (4) An annual State tax is imposed on all assessable property in theState in rate 11 and amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bondsas and when due 12 and until paid in full. The principal shall be discharged within 15 years after the date of 13 issuance of the bonds.

14 (5) Prior to the payment of any funds under the provisions of this Act for the 15 purposes set forth in Section 1(3) above, the Maryland-National CapitalPark and 16 Planning Commission shall provide and expend a matching fund. No part of the matching fund may be provided, either directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether 17 appropriated or unappropriated. No part of the fund may consist of realproperty, in kind 18 19 contributions, or funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act. In case of any 20 dispute as to the amount of the matching fund or what money or assets may qualify as 21 matching funds, the Board of Public Works shall determine the matter and the Board's 22 decision is final. The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission has until 23 June 1, 1998, to present evidence satisfactory to the Board of Public Works that a 24 matching fund will be provided. If satisfactory evidence is presented, the Board shall 25 certify this fact and the amount of the matching fund to the State Treasurer, and the 26 proceeds of the loan equal to the amount of the matching fund shall be expended for the 27 purposes provided in this Act. Any amount of the loan in excess of the amount of the 28 matching fund certified by the Board of Public Works shall be canceled and be of no 29 further effect.

30 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 31 June 1, 1996.

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