

**Department of Fiscal Services**  
Maryland General Assembly

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**Bond Bill**

House Bill 79 (Delegate McHale, et al.)  
Appropriations

---

**Creation of a State Debt - Baltimore City - Fort McHenry -  
Education and Visitors Center  
(\$1,000,000)**

---

This bill provides \$1,000,000 in State bond proceeds as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Patriots of Fort McHenry, Inc. for the construction and equipping of an education and visitors center at Fort McHenry.

The board must provide matching funds by June 1, 1998, and must also grant a perpetual preservation easement to the Maryland Historical Trust.

---

**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** This \$1,000,000 bond authorization would be part of the total \$400 million general obligation debt authorization for fiscal 1997 as recommended by the Capital Debt Affordability Committee. State debt service costs on the \$400 million would be a maximum of \$41.3 million annually based on an interest rate of 4.51%.

**Local Effect:** None.

---

**Information Source(s):** Department of Fiscal Services

**Fiscal Note History:** First Reader - March 5, 1996  
ncs

---

Analysis by: LaTaunya D. Howard  
Reviewed by: John Rixey  
(410) 841-3710  
(301) 858-3710

Direct Inquiries to:  
John Rixey, Coordinating Analyst