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CHAPTER ____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **The Children's Guild, Inc. Loan of 1990**

3 FOR the purpose of amending Chapter 447 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1990,
4 The Children's Guild, Inc. Loan of 1990, to alter the purpose for which the
5 proceeds of the bonds may be used.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7 Chapter 447 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1990
8 Section 1

9 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
10 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

11 **Chapter 447 of the Acts of 1990**

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

14 (1) The Board of Public Works may borrow money and incur indebtedness on
15 behalf of the State of Maryland through a State loan to be known as The Children's
16 Guild, Inc. Loan of 1990 in the total principal amount of \$500,000. This loan shall be
17 evidenced by the issuance, sale, and delivery of State general obligation bonds authorized
18 by a resolution of the Board of Public Works and issued, sold, and delivered in
19 accordance with §§ 8-117 through 8-124 of the State Finance and Procurement Article
20 and Article 31, § 22 of the Code.

21 (2) The bonds to evidence this loan or installments of this loan may be sold as a
22 single issue, or may be consolidated and sold as part of a single issue of bonds under §
23 8-122 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

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1 (3) The cash proceeds of the sale of the bonds shall be paid to the Treasurer and
2 first shall be applied to the payment of the expenses of issuing, selling, and delivering the
3 bonds, unless funds for this purpose are otherwise provided, and then shall be credited on
4 the books of the Comptroller and expended, on approval by the Board of Public Works,
5 for the following public purposes, including any applicable architects' and engineers' fees:
6 as a grant to The Children's Guild, Inc. for the ~~purchase~~ [and renovation of a building in
7 Baltimore City to be used as a school and]; REPAIR, RENOVATION, RECONSTRUCTION,
8 AND EXPANSION OF, FOR THE PROVISION OF CAPITAL EQUIPMENT FOR, AND FOR
9 SITE IMPROVEMENTS TO, FACILITIES IN BALTIMORE CITY TO BE USED AS A SCHOOL
10 ~~OR~~ AND treatment center for emotionally disturbed children.

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

15 (5) Prior to the payment of any funds under the provisions of this Act for the
16 purposes set forth in Section 1(3) above, The Children's Guild, Inc. shall provide at least
17 an equal and matching fund of \$500,000. No part of an applicant's matching fund may be
18 provided, either directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether appropriated or
19 unappropriated. No part of the fund may consist of real property, in kind contributions,
20 or funds expended prior to the effective date of the Act. In case of any dispute as to what
21 money or assets may qualify as matching funds, the Board of Public Works shall
22 determine the matter, and the Board's decision is final. The Children's Guild, Inc. has
23 until June 1, 1992 to present evidence satisfactory to the Board of Public Works that the
24 matching fund will be provided. If satisfactory evidence is presented, the Board shall
25 certify this fact to the State Treasurer and the proceeds of the loan shall be expended for
26 the purposes provided in this Act. If this evidence is not presented by June 1, 1992, the
27 proceeds of the loan shall be applied to the purposes authorized in § 8-129 of the State
28 Finance and Procurement Article.

29 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
30 June 1, 1997.