

HOUSE BILL 508

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ENROLLED BILL
-- Appropriations/Budget and Taxation --

Introduced by **Delegates Petzold, Heller, Mandel, Franchot, Dembrow, Kopp,
Hurson, and Barve**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this
____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, ____ M.

Speaker.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Creation of a State Debt - Montgomery County - National Capital Trolley**
3 **Museum**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed ~~\$200,000~~
5 ~~\$100,000~~ \$125,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors
6 of the National Capital Historical Museum of Transportation, Inc. for certain
7 acquisition, development, or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement
8 of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and
9 expend a matching fund; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of
10 bonds evidencing the loan.

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

13 (1) The Board of Public Works may borrow money and incur indebtedness on
14 behalf of the State of Maryland through a State loan to be known as the Montgomery
15 County - National Capital Trolley Museum Loan of 1998 in a total principal amount

1 equal to the lesser of (i) ~~\$200,000~~ ~~\$100,000~~ \$125,000 or (ii) the amount of the
2 matching fund provided in accordance with Section 1(5) below. This loan shall be
3 evidenced by the issuance, sale, and delivery of State general obligation bonds
4 authorized by a resolution of the Board of Public Works and issued, sold, and
5 delivered in accordance with §§ 8-117 through 8-124 of the State Finance and
6 Procurement Article and Article 31, § 22 of the Code.

7 (2) The bonds to evidence this loan or installments of this loan may be sold as
8 a single issue or may be consolidated and sold as part of a single issue of bonds under
9 § 8-122 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

10 (3) The cash proceeds of the sale of the bonds shall be paid to the Treasurer
11 and first shall be applied to the payment of the expenses of issuing, selling, and
12 delivering the bonds, unless funds for this purpose are otherwise provided, and then
13 shall be credited on the books of the Comptroller and expended, on approval by the
14 Board of Public Works, for the following public purposes, including any applicable
15 architects' and engineers' fees: as a grant to the Board of Directors of the National
16 Capital Historical Museum of Transportation, Inc. (referred to hereafter in this Act as
17 "the grantee") for the purchase and relocation of a building to the site of the National
18 Capital Trolley Museum, and for the repair, renovation, rehabilitation, expansion,
19 and capital equipping of the building, and for the laying of track to serve the building.

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

24 (5) Prior to the payment of any funds under the provisions of this Act for the
25 purposes set forth in Section 1(3) above, the grantee shall provide and expend a
26 matching fund. No part of the grantee's matching fund may be provided, either
27 directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether appropriated or
28 unappropriated. No part of the fund may consist of funds expended prior to the
29 effective date of this Act. The fund may consist of real property or in kind
30 contributions. In case of any dispute as to the amount of the matching fund or what
31 money or assets may qualify as matching funds, the Board of Public Works shall
32 determine the matter and the Board's decision is final. The grantee has until June 1,
33 2000, to present evidence satisfactory to the Board of Public Works that a matching
34 fund will be provided. If satisfactory evidence is presented, the Board shall certify this
35 fact and the amount of the matching fund to the State Treasurer, and the proceeds of
36 the loan equal to the amount of the matching fund shall be expended for the purposes
37 provided in this Act. Any amount of the loan in excess of the amount of the matching
38 fund certified by the Board of Public Works shall be canceled and be of no further
39 effect.

40 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
41 June 1, 1998.

