

SENATE BILL 351

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By: **Senator Hoffman**

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Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Office on Aging - Senior Centers - Grants**

3 FOR the purpose of increasing the limit on certain State grants awarded to the Office
4 on Aging for certain projects.

5 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
6 Article 70B - Office on Aging
7 Section 29(a)
8 Annotated Code of Maryland
9 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

12 **Article 70B - Office on Aging**

13 29.

14 (a) Grants awarded under §§ 26 through 32 of this subtitle are subject to the
15 following terms and conditions:

16 (1) Any federal grant that is received for an eligible project shall be
17 applied first to the cost of the project;

18 (2) For the development of a comprehensive master plan, a State grant
19 may not exceed the lesser of \$15,000 or 50 percent of the cost of development of the
20 plan;

21 (3) Except as provided in paragraph (4) of this subsection, a State grant
22 for a project may not exceed the lesser of [\$300,000] \$700,000 or 50 percent of the cost
23 of eligible work remaining unpaid after any federal grant has been applied; and

24 (4) At the discretion of the Board of Public Works a grant for a project
25 may exceed 50 percent of the cost of eligible work remaining unpaid after any federal
26 grant has been applied, if:

1 (i) The project involves the conversion, acquisition, renovation,
2 construction, or improvement of a building for use as a senior citizen activities center;

3 (ii) The value of real property and existing improvements made
4 available by the local government equals or exceeds the amount of the State grant;
5 and

6 (iii) The residual value of the real property and existing
7 improvements made available by the local government is in excess of:

8 1. Any prior amounts used for matching funds under this
9 Program;

10 2. Outstanding State debt relating to the property from any
11 program other than this;

12 3. Any prior grant under this Program; and

13 4. Any other tangible State investment in the property.

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