

Department of Legislative Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE
Bond Bill

Senate Bill 430 (Senator Blount. *et al.*)

Budget and Taxation

Creation of a State Debt - Baltimore City - Project Liberty Ship

This bill provides \$500,000 in State bond proceeds as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Project Liberty Ship of Baltimore, Inc. for the repair, renovation, and preservation of the historic Maryland-built Liberty Ship, the John W. Brown.

The Board of Directors must provide matching funds by June 1, 2000. The board must grant and convey a perpetual easement to the extent of its interest in the property to the Maryland Historical Trust.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: This \$500,000 grant would be part of the total \$430 million general obligation debt authorization for FY 1999 as recommended by the Capital Debt Affordability Committee. State debt service costs on the \$430 million would be a maximum of \$44.2 million annually based on the 4.34% interest rate realized at the February 18, 1998 bond sale.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: Minimal.

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