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By: **Senators Astle and Miller**

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Anne Arundel County - Carrie Weedon Science Center Loan of 1999**

3 FOR the purpose of amending Chapter 293 of the Acts of the General Assembly of  
4 1999, the Anne Arundel County - Carrie Weedon Science Center Loan of 1999,  
5 to allow the use of in kind contributions as matching funds.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
7 Chapter 293 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1999  
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 293 of the Acts of 1999**

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 Anne Arundel  
16 County - Carrie Weedon Science Center Loan of 1999 in a total principal amount  
17 equal to the lesser of (i) \$100,000 or (ii) the amount of the matching fund provided in  
18 accordance with Section 1(5) below. This loan shall be evidenced by the issuance, sale,  
19 and delivery of State general obligation bonds authorized by a resolution of the Board  
20 of Public Works and issued, sold, and delivered in accordance with §§ 8-117 through  
21 8-124 of the State Finance and Procurement Article and Article 31, § 22 of the Code.

22 (2) The bonds to evidence this loan or installments of this loan may be sold as  
23 a single issue or may be consolidated and sold as part of a single issue of bonds under  
24 § 8-122 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

25 (3) The cash proceeds of the sale of the bonds shall be paid to the Treasurer  
26 and first shall be applied to the payment of the expenses of issuing, selling, and  
27 delivering the bonds, unless funds for this purpose are otherwise provided, and then  
28 shall be credited on the books of the Comptroller and expended, on approval by the  
29 Board of Public Works, for the following public purposes, including any applicable

1 architects' and engineers' fees: as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Carrie  
2 Weedon Science Center Foundation, Inc. (referred to hereafter in this Act as "the  
3 grantee") for the repair, renovation, construction, reconstruction, and capital  
4 equipping of the Carrie Weedon Science Center including, but not limited to, a roof  
5 replacement and the installation of a new HVAC system and the creation of an  
6 elementary science lab and a computer lab.

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

11 (5) Prior to the payment of any funds under the provisions of this Act for the  
12 purposes set forth in Section 1(3) above, the grantee shall provide and expend a  
13 matching fund. No part of the grantee's matching fund may be provided, either  
14 directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether appropriated or  
15 unappropriated. No part of the fund may consist of real property[, in kind  
16 contributions,] or funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act. **THE FUND  
17 MAY CONSIST OF IN KIND CONTRIBUTIONS.** In case of any dispute as to the amount of  
18 the matching fund or what money or assets may qualify as matching funds, the Board  
19 of Public Works shall determine the matter and the Board's decision is final. The  
20 grantee has until June 1, 2001, to present evidence satisfactory to the Board of Public  
21 Works that a matching fund will be provided. If satisfactory evidence is presented, the  
22 Board shall certify this fact and the amount of the matching fund to the State  
23 Treasurer, and the proceeds of the loan equal to the amount of the matching fund  
24 shall be expended for the purposes provided in this Act. Any amount of the loan in  
25 excess of the amount of the matching fund certified by the Board of Public Works  
26 shall be canceled and be of no further effect.

27 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
28 June 1, 2000.