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By: Senator Collins (Baltimore County Administration) and Senator Kelley

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Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

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## A BILL ENTITLED

## 1 AN ACT concerning

## 2 Creation of a State Debt - Baltimore County - Woodlawn Community Center

- 3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$1,000,000,
- 4 the proceeds to be used as a grant to the County Council and the County
- 5 Executive of Baltimore County for certain development or improvement
- 6 purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a
- 7 requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; and
- 8 providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

## 9 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

- 10 MARYLAND, That:
- 11 (1) The Board of Public Works may borrow money and incur indebtedness on
- 12 behalf of the State of Maryland through a State loan to be known as the Baltimore
- 13 County Woodlawn Community Center Loan of 2000 in a total principal amount
- 14 equal to the lesser of (i) \$1,000,000 or (ii) the amount of the matching fund provided
- 15 in accordance with Section 1(5) below. This loan shall be evidenced by the issuance,
- 16 sale, and delivery of State general obligation bonds authorized by a resolution of the
- 17 Board of Public Works and issued, sold, and delivered in accordance with §§ 8-117
- 18 through 8-124 of the State Finance and Procurement Article and Article 31, § 22 of
- 19 the Code.
- 20 (2) The bonds to evidence this loan or installments of this loan may be sold as
- 21 a single issue or may be consolidated and sold as part of a single issue of bonds under
- 22 § 8-122 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.
- 23 (3) The cash proceeds of the sale of the bonds shall be paid to the Treasurer
- 24 and first shall be applied to the payment of the expenses of issuing, selling, and
- 25 delivering the bonds, unless funds for this purpose are otherwise provided, and then
- 26 shall be credited on the books of the Comptroller and expended, on approval by the
- 27 Board of Public Works, for the following public purposes, including any applicable
- 28 architects' and engineers' fees: as a grant to the County Council and the County
- 29 Executive of Baltimore County (referred to hereafter in this Act as "the grantee") for
- 30 the demolition, planning, design, construction, and capital equipping of the Woodlawn
- 31 Community Center, located at 2120 Gwynn Oak Avenue, Woodlawn, Maryland.

- 1 (4) An annual State tax is imposed on all assessable property in the State in 2 rate and amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds, as and
- 3 when due and until paid in full. The principal shall be discharged within 15 years
- 4 after the date of issuance of the bonds.
- 5 (5) Prior to the payment of any funds under the provisions of this Act for the
- 6 purposes set forth in Section 1(3) above, the grantee shall provide and expend a
- 7 matching fund. No part of the grantee's matching fund may be provided, either
- 8 directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether appropriated or
- 9 unappropriated. No part of the fund may consist of real property, in kind
- 10 contributions, or funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act. In case of any
- 11 dispute as to the amount of the matching fund or what money or assets may qualify
- 12 as matching funds, the Board of Public Works shall determine the matter and the
- 13 Board's decision is final. The grantee has until June 1, 2002, to present evidence
- 14 satisfactory to the Board of Public Works that a matching fund will be provided. If
- 15 satisfactory evidence is presented, the Board shall certify this fact and the amount of
- 16 the matching fund to the State Treasurer, and the proceeds of the loan equal to the
- 17 amount of the matching fund shall be expended for the purposes provided in this Act.
- 18 Any amount of the loan in excess of the amount of the matching fund certified by the
- 19 Board of Public Works shall be canceled and be of no further effect.
- 20 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 21 June 1, 2000.