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FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 113 (Senators Astle and Miller)

Budget and Taxation

Anne Arundel County - Carrie Weedon Science Center Loan of 1999

This bill allows the matching fund for the Carrie Weedon Science Center Loan of 1999 to consist of in kind contributions.

The bill is effective June 1, 2000.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. Allowing in kind contributions in order to meet the match requirement would not directly affect State finances.

Local Effect: None. Anne Arundel County has included funding for this project in its FY 2000 budget and its FY 2001 budget proposal.

Small Business Effect: Minimal impact on one small nonprofit entity.

Analysis

Current Law: Chapter 293 of 1999 authorized up to \$100,000 for the repair, renovation, construction, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Carrie Weedon Science Center, including, but not limited to, a roof replacement and the installation of a new HVAC system and the creation of an elementary science lab and a computer lab. The center has until June 1, 2001, to provide matching funds of \$100,000. No part of the matching fund may consist of real property, in kind contributions, or funds expended prior to June 1, 1999.

Background: The Carrie Weedon Science Center Foundation, Inc. is a nonprofit organization established to enhance science education for students, teachers, and the community. Students are bused to the center for field trips to experience “hands-on” science

education through natural history displays, live animals, and specialized activities. Science teachers receive in-service training at the center.

The center expects to have \$80,000, including \$50,000 from Anne Arundel County, in matching funds available by July 1, 2000. The center will receive donations of computers, printers, and software for its science lab to make up the difference.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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