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1 AN ACT concerning

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Creation of a State Debt - Montgomery County - CASA of Maryland Employment <u>and Training</u> Center

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000

5 <u>\$100,000</u>, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the County Executive and

6 County Council of Montgomery County for certain development or improvement

7 purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a

8 requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; and

9 providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 11 MARYLAND, That:

12 (1) The Board of Public Works may borrow money and incur indebtedness on

13 behalf of the State of Maryland through a State loan to be known as the Montgomery

14 County - CASA of Maryland Employment and Training Center Loan of 2001 in a total

15 principal amount equal to the lesser of (i) $\frac{150,000}{100,000}$ or (ii) the amount of the 16 matching fund provided in accordance with Section 1(5) below. This loan shall be

17 evidenced by the issuance, sale, and delivery of State general obligation bonds

18 authorized by a resolution of the Board of Public Works and issued, sold, and

19 delivered in accordance with §§ 8-117 through 8-124 of the State Finance and

20 Procurement Article and Article 31, § 22 of the Code.

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

24 (3) The cash proceeds of the sale of the bonds shall be paid to the Treasurer 25 and first shall be applied to the payment of the expenses of issuing, selling, and

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1 delivering the bonds, unless funds for this purpose are otherwise provided, and then

2 shall be credited on the books of the Comptroller and expended, on approval by the

3 Board of Public Works, for the following public purposes, including any applicable

4 architects' and engineers' fees: as a grant to the County Executive and County Council

5 of Montgomery County (referred to hereafter in this Act as "the grantee") for the

6 expansion, renovation, and capital equipping of the CASA of Maryland East Silver

7 Spring Employment and Training Center located at 734 University Boulevard East in8 Silver Spring, including construction of new classrooms, interview rooms,

9 multipurpose rooms, and handicap accessibility renovations to restrooms.

10 (4) An annual State tax is imposed on all assessable property in the State in 11 rate and amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds, as and 12 when due and until paid in full. The principal shall be discharged within 15 years 13 after the date of issuance of the bonds.

14 (5) Prior to the payment of any funds under the provisions of this Act for the 15 purposes set forth in Section 1(3) above, the grantee shall provide and expend a

16 matching fund. No part of the grantee's matching fund may be provided, either

17 directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether appropriated or

18 unappropriated. No part of the fund may consist of real property, in kind

19 contributions, or funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act. In case of any

20 dispute as to the amount of the matching fund or what money or assets may qualify

21 as matching funds, the Board of Public Works shall determine the matter and the

22 Board's decision is final. The grantee has until June 1, 2003, to present evidence

23 satisfactory to the Board of Public Works that a matching fund will be provided. If

24 satisfactory evidence is presented, the Board shall certify this fact and the amount of

25 the matching fund to the State Treasurer, and the proceeds of the loan equal to the

26 amount of the matching fund shall be expended for the purposes provided in this Act.

27 Any amount of the loan in excess of the amount of the matching fund certified by the

28 Board of Public Works shall be canceled and be of no further effect.

29 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 30 June 1, 2001.