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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

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Creation of a State Debt - Baltimore City - Outward Bound Leakin Park Project

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000,

- 5 the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of Hurricane Island
- 6 Outward Bound School, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes;
- 7 providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that
- 8 the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; and providing generally for
- 9 the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

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

(1) The Board of Public Works may borrow money and incur indebtedness on
behalf of the State of Maryland through a State loan to be known as the Baltimore
City - Outward Bound Leakin Park Project Loan of 2001 in a total principal amount
equal to the lesser of (i) \$500,000 or (ii) the amount of the matching fund provided in
accordance with Section 1(5) below. This loan shall be evidenced by the issuance, sale,
and delivery of State general obligation bonds authorized by a resolution of the Board
of Public Works and issued, sold, and delivered in accordance with §§ 8-117 through
8-124 of the State Finance and Procurement Article and Article 31, § 22 of 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.

(3) The cash proceeds of the sale of the bonds shall be paid to the Treasurer
and first shall be applied to the payment of the expenses of issuing, selling, and
delivering the bonds, unless funds for this purpose are otherwise provided, and then
shall be credited on the books of the Comptroller and expended, on approval by the
Board of Public Works, for the following public purposes, including any applicable
architects' and engineers' fees: as a grant to the Board of Directors of Hurricane
Island Outward Bound School, Inc. (referred to hereafter in this Act as "the grantee")
for the planning, design, and construction of a new building to be used for offices and
meeting space and for the repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of

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various existing buildings, and for repaying the road and improving parking areas
 and grounds at the Leakin Park facility located at 1900 Eagle Drive in Baltimore.

3 (4) An annual State tax is imposed on all assessable property in the State in 4 rate and amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds, as and 5 when due and until paid in full. The principal shall be discharged within 15 years 6 after the date of issuance of the bonds.

7 Prior to the payment of any funds under the provisions of this Act for the (5) 8 purposes set forth in Section 1(3) above, the grantee shall provide and expend a 9 matching fund. No part of the grantee's matching fund may be provided, either 10 directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether appropriated or 11 unappropriated. No part of the fund may consist of real property or in kind 12 contributions. The matching fund may consist of funds expended prior to the effective 13 date of this Act. In case of any dispute as to the amount of the matching fund or what 14 money or assets may qualify as matching funds, the Board of Public Works shall 15 determine the matter and the Board's decision is final. The grantee has until June 1, 16 2003, to present evidence satisfactory to the Board of Public Works that a matching 17 fund will be provided. If satisfactory evidence is presented, the Board shall certify this 18 fact and the amount of the matching fund to the State Treasurer, and the proceeds of 19 the loan equal to the amount of the matching fund shall be expended for the purposes 20 provided in this Act. Any amount of the loan in excess of the amount of the matching 21 fund certified by the Board of Public Works shall be canceled and be of no further 22 effect.

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 24 June 1, 2001.