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By: Senator Exum

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT co	ncerning
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- 2 Creation of a State Debt Prince George's County Croom Manor Low-Income Housing
- 4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$225,000,
- 5 the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Croom Manor Housing Complex for
- 6 certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of
- 7 the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend
- 8 a matching fund; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds
- 9 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 Prince
- 14 George's County Croom Manor Low-Income Housing Loan of 2001 in a total
- 15 principal amount equal to the lesser of (i) \$225,000 or (ii) the amount of the matching
- 16 fund provided in accordance with Section 1(5) below. This loan shall be evidenced by
- 17 the issuance, sale, and delivery of State general obligation bonds authorized by a
- 18 resolution of the Board of Public Works and issued, sold, and delivered in accordance
- 19 with §§ 8-117 through 8-124 of the State Finance and Procurement Article and
- 20 Article 31, § 22 of the Code.
- 21 (2) The bonds to evidence this loan or installments of this loan may be sold as
- 22 a single issue or may be consolidated and sold as part of a single issue of bonds under
- 23 § 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
- 26 delivering the bonds, unless funds for this purpose are otherwise provided, and then
- 27 shall be credited on the books of the Comptroller and expended, on approval by the
- 28 Board of Public Works, for the following public purposes, including any applicable
- 29 architects' and engineers' fees: as a grant to the Croom Manor Housing Complex
- 30 (referred to hereafter in this Act as "the grantee") for the planning, design,
- 31 construction, reconstruction, and capital equipping of buildings, located at 15488

- 1 Mount Calvert Road in Upper Marlboro, Maryland, to be used for low-income 2 housing.
- 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 (5) Prior to the payment of any funds under the provisions of this Act for the
- 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 fund may consist of funds expended prior to the effective date of
- 13 this Act. In case of any dispute as to the amount of the matching fund or what money
- 14 or assets may qualify as matching funds, the Board of Public Works shall determine
- 15 the matter and the Board's decision is final. The grantee has until June 1, 2003, to
- 16 present evidence satisfactory to the Board of Public Works that a matching fund will
- 17 be provided. If satisfactory evidence is presented, the Board shall certify this fact and
- 18 the amount of the matching fund to the State Treasurer, and the proceeds of the loan
- 19 equal to the amount of the matching fund shall be expended for the purposes provided
- 20 in this Act. Any amount of the loan in excess of the amount of the matching fund
- 21 certified by the Board of Public Works shall be canceled and be of no further effect.
- 22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 23 June 1, 2001.