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CHAPTER_____

1 AN ACT concerning

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Worcester County - Ocean City Visitors and Information Center Loan of 2000

3 FOR the purpose of altering the use of funds date by which the grantee is required to

- 4 provide and expend a matching fund in Chapter 641 of the Acts of the General
- 5 Assembly of 2000, <u>the</u> Worcester County Ocean City Visitors and Information
- 6 Center Loan of 2000, to allow renovation; extending the date by which the
- 7 grantee is required to provide a matching fund, from June 1, 2002 to June 1,

8 2004; and generally relating to the Worcester County - Ocean City Visitors and

9 Information Center Loan of 2000.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

- 11 Chapter 641 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2000
- 12 Section 1(3) and (5)

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

- 14 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
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Chapter 641 of the Acts of 2000

16 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 17 MARYLAND, That:

18 (3) The cash proceeds of the sale of the bonds shall be paid to the Treasurer

19 and first shall be applied to the payment of the expenses of issuing, selling, and

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

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

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

23 architects' and engineers' fees: as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Ocean City,

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1 Maryland Chamber of Commerce, Inc. (referred to hereafter in this Act as "the

2 grantee") for the planning, design, construction, RENOVATION, and capital equipping

3 (including furnishing) of the Ocean City Visitors and Information Center, to be located

4 in Worcester County.

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. The fund may consist of real property, in kind contributions, or funds

10 expended prior to the effective date of this Act. In case of any dispute as to the amount

11 of the matching fund or what money or assets may qualify as matching funds, the

12 Board of Public Works shall determine the matter and the Board's decision is final.

13 The grantee has until June 1, [2002] 2004, to present evidence satisfactory to the

14 Board of Public Works that a matching fund will be provided. If satisfactory evidence

15 is presented, the Board shall certify this fact and the amount of the matching fund to

16 the State Treasurer, and the proceeds of the loan equal to the amount of the matching

17 fund shall be extended for the purposes provided in this Act. Any amount of the loan

18 in excess of the amount of the matching fund certified by the Board of Public Works

19 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, 2002.

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