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- 2 Creation of a State Debt Prince George's County St. Paul Community
 3 Centre Gymnasium (YMCA)
- 4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$350,000,
- 5 the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of Saint Paul
- 6 Community Development Corporation 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; prohibiting
- 9 the use of the proceeds of the sale of the bonds or the matching fund for
- sectarian religious purposes; and providing generally for the issuance and sale
- of bonds evidencing the loan.
- 12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 13 MARYLAND, That:
- 14 (1) The Board of Public Works may borrow money and incur indebtedness on
- 15 behalf of the State of Maryland through a State loan to be known as the Prince
- 16 George's County St. Paul Community Centre Gymnasium (YMCA) Loan of 2002 in
- 17 a total principal amount equal to the lesser of (i) \$350,000 or (ii) the amount of the
- 18 matching fund provided in accordance with Section 1(5) below. This loan shall be
- 19 evidenced by the issuance, sale, and delivery of State general obligation bonds
- 20 authorized by a resolution of the Board of Public Works and issued, sold, and
- 21 delivered in accordance with §§ 8-117 through 8-124 of the State Finance and
- 22 Procurement Article and Article 31, § 22 of the Code.
- 23 (2) The bonds to evidence this loan or installments of this loan may be sold as
- 24 a single issue or may be consolidated and sold as part of a single issue of bonds under
- 25 § 8-122 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.
- 26 (3) The cash proceeds of the sale of the bonds shall be paid to the Treasurer
- 27 and first shall be applied to the payment of the expenses of issuing, selling, and
- 28 delivering the bonds, unless funds for this purpose are otherwise provided, and then
- 29 shall be credited on the books of the Comptroller and expended, on approval by the
- 30 Board of Public Works, for the following public purposes, including any applicable
- 31 architects' and engineers' fees: as a grant to the Board of Directors of Saint Paul
- 32 Community Development Corporation (referred to hereafter in this Act as "the

- 1 grantee") for the planning, design, construction, and capital equipping of the interior
- 2 layout of the YMCA to accommodate a full-service YMCA to include a pool, weight
- 3 and fitness rooms and equipment, multipurpose areas, classroom space,
- 4 administrative office space, and sporting and event spaces, located at 6615 Walker
- 5 Mill Road in Capitol Heights.
- 6 (4) An annual State tax is imposed on all assessable property in the State in
- 7 rate and amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds, as and
- 8 when due and until paid in full. The principal shall be discharged within 15 years
- 9 after the date of issuance of the bonds.
- 10 (5) Prior to the payment of any funds under the provisions of this Act for the
- 11 purposes set forth in Section 1(3) above, the grantee shall provide and expend a
- 12 matching fund. No part of the grantee's matching fund may be provided, either
- 13 directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether appropriated or
- 14 unappropriated. No part of the fund may consist of real property, in kind
- 15 contributions, or funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act. In case of any
- 16 dispute as to the amount of the matching fund or what money or assets may qualify
- 17 as matching funds, the Board of Public Works shall determine the matter and the
- 18 Board's decision is final. The grantee has until June 1, 2004, to present evidence
- 19 satisfactory to the Board of Public Works that a matching fund will be provided. If
- 20 satisfactory evidence is presented, the Board shall certify this fact and the amount of
- 21 the matching fund to the State Treasurer, and the proceeds of the loan equal to the
- 22 amount of the matching fund shall be expended for the purposes provided in this Act.
- 23 Any amount of the loan in excess of the amount of the matching fund certified by the
- 24 Board of Public Works shall be canceled and be of no further effect.
- 25 (6) No portion of the proceeds of the loan or any of the matching funds may be
- 26 used for the furtherance of sectarian religious instruction, or in connection with the
- 27 design, acquisition, or construction of any building used or to be used as a place of
- 28 sectarian religious worship or instruction, or in connection with any program or
- 29 department of divinity for any religious denomination. Upon the request of the Board
- 30 of Public Works, the grantee shall submit evidence satisfactory to the Board that none
- 31 of the proceeds of the loan or any matching funds have been or are being used for a
- 32 purpose prohibited by this Act.
- 33 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 34 June 1, 2002.