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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 1042  
Appropriations

(Delegate Dobson, *et al.*)

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Baltimore City - Bong County, Liberia/Maryland, USA Educational/Cultural  
Foundation Loan of 2001

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This bill alters the purpose of the Baltimore City – Bong County, Liberia/Maryland, USA Educational/Cultural Foundation Loan of 2001 to include appraisal of three buildings in Baltimore City. It repeals authority for the renovation, repairs, and capital equipping of the three buildings. The bill also authorizes the required match to include real property and funds expended prior to June 1, 2001.

The bill is effective June 1, 2002.

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Fiscal Summary

**State Effect:** None. Altering the purpose of the grant and allowing the required match to consist of real property and prior expended funds would not materially affect State finances.

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** Minimal impact on one small nonprofit entity.

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Analysis

**Current Law:** Chapter 125 of 2001 authorizes up to \$50,000 in matching funds to the Board of Directors of Baltimore City - Bong County, Liberia/Maryland, USA Educational/Cultural Foundation, as grantee, for the planning, design, renovation, repair, and capital equipping of three buildings at 4335-4339 York Road, Baltimore, Maryland

for an educational/cultural center that will provide workshops and after-school programs for communities, welfare recipients, former inmates, and those who plan to travel to Africa. No part of the fund may consist of real property, in kind contributions, or funds expended prior to June 1, 2001. The deadline for the provision of matching funds is June 1, 2003.

**Background:** The grantee had expended funds exceeding the required match prior to June 1, 2001. The grantee has expended approximately \$5,000 on renovations to the property since June 1, 2001.

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### **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** SB 155 (Senator Conway) – Budget and Taxation.

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