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CHAPTER_____

1 AN ACT concerning

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Anne Arundel County - Wiley H. Bates High School Loan of 1997

3 FOR the purpose of providing that the grantee proceeds of the Anne Arundel County

- 4 Wiley H. Bates High School Loan of 1997 has until June 1, 2005, to expend or
- 5 encumber the loan proceeds <u>must be encumbered by the Board of Public Works</u>
- 6 <u>or expended for certain purposes by a certain date;</u> and generally relating to the
- 7 Anne Arundel County Wiley H. Bates High School Loan of 1997.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

- 9 Chapter 221 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1997
- 10 Section 1(1) through (6)
- 11 BY adding to
- 12 Chapter 221 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1997
- 13 Section 1(7)

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

- 15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
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Chapter 221 of the Acts of 1997

17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 18 MARYLAND, That:

19 (1) The Board of Public Works may borrow money and incur indebtedness on

20 behalf of the State of Maryland through a State loan to be known as the Anne Arundel

21 County - Wiley H. Bates High School Loan of 1997 in a total principal amount equal

22 to the lesser of (i) \$1,000,000 or (ii) the amount of the matching fund provided in

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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.

5 (2) The bonds to evidence this loan or installments of this loan may be sold as 6 a single issue or may be consolidated and sold as part of a single issue of bonds under 7 § 8-122 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

8 (3) The cash proceeds of the sale of the bonds shall be paid to the Treasurer 9 and first shall be applied to the payment of the expenses of issuing, selling, and 10 delivering the bonds, unless funds for this purpose are otherwise provided, and then 11 shall be credited on the books of the Comptroller and expended, on approval by the 12 Board of Public Works, for the following public purposes, including any applicable 13 architects' and engineers' fees: as a grant to the County Executive and County Council 14 of Anne Arundel County (referred to hereafter in this Act as "the grantee") for the 15 repair, renovation, rehabilitation, reconstruction, and capital equipping, including 16 asbestos removal and other improvements to the infrastructure, of the historic Wiley 17 H. Bates High School, located in Annapolis, for use as a senior center, adult day care 18 center, gymnasium, community center, and site for specific newly formed small 19 businesses from within the community.

20 (4) An annual State tax is imposed on all assessable property in the State in 21 rate and amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds as and 22 when due and until paid in full. The principal shall be discharged within 15 years 23 after the date of issuance of the bonds.

24 Prior to the payment of any funds under the provisions of this Act for the (5) 25 purposes set forth in Section 1(3) above, the grantee shall provide and expend a 26 matching fund. No part of the grantee's matching fund may be provided, either 27 directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether appropriated or 28 unappropriated. No part of the fund may consist of real property, in kind 29 contributions, or funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act. In case of any 30 dispute as to the amount of the matching fund or what money or assets may qualify as matching funds, the Board of Public Works shall determine the matter and the 31 Board's decision is final. The grantee has until June 1,1999, to present evidence 32 satisfactory to the Board of Public Works that a matching fund will be provided. If 33 34 satisfactory evidence is presented, the Board shall certify this fact and the amount of 35 the matching fund to the State Treasurer, and the proceeds of the loan equal to the 36 amount of the matching fund shall be expended for the purposes provided in this Act. 37 Any amount of the loan in excess of the amount of the matching fund certified by the 38 Board of Public Works shall be canceled and be of no further effect.

39 (6) (a) Prior to the issuance of the bonds, the grantee shall grant and convey
40 to the Maryland Historical Trust a perpetual preservation easement to the extent of
41 its interest:

42 43 and (i) On the land or such portion of the land acceptable to the Trust;

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1 (ii) On the exterior and interior, where appropriate, of the historic 2 structures.

3 (b) The easement must be in form and substance acceptable to the Trust 4 and the extent of the interest to be encumbered must be acceptable to the Trust.

5 (7) THE GRANTEE HAS UNTIL JUNE 1, 2005, TO EXPEND OR ENCUMBER THE 6 PROCEEDS OF THE LOAN THE PROCEEDS OF THE LOAN MUST BE ENCUMBERED BY 7 THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS OR EXPENDED FOR THE PURPOSES PROVIDED IN THIS 8 ACT NO LATER THAN JUNE 1, 2005.

9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 10 June 1, 2004.