By: **Prince George's County Delegation** Introduced and read first time: February 4, 2004 Assigned to: Appropriations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2	Education - Prince George's County Board of Education - Bonding
3	Authority
4	PG 407-04

5 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Prince George's County Board of Education to

- 6 issue bonds for the acquisition, development, or improvement of public school
- 7 facilities in the Prince George's County school system; establishing the rights
- 8 and duties associated with the bonding authority; requiring passage of a certain
- 9 resolution by the County Executive and County Council of Prince George's
- 10 County before a bond may be issued; providing for the effective date of certain
- 11 provisions of this Act; providing for a delayed effective date for certain

12 provisions of this Act; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this

- 13 Act on a certain date; providing for the construction and severability of certain
- 14 provisions of this Act; and generally relating to the Prince George's County
- 15 school system.

16 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

- 17 Article Education
- 18 Section 4-401
- 19 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 20 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)
- 21 BY adding to
- 22 Article Education
- 23 Section 3-1009 through 3-1009.6 and 4-412 through 4-412.5
- 24 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 25 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)
- 26 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 27 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

2	HOUSE BILL 589
1	Article - Education
2	4-401.
3	(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.
4	(b) "Advisory Board" means the Parent and Community Advisory Board.
5	(c) "Board" means the New Prince George's County Board of Education.
	(D) "BONDS" MEANS REVENUE BONDS, REFUNDING BONDS, CERTIFICATES, NOTES, DEMAND NOTES, COMMERCIAL PAPER, OTHER EVIDENCE OF INDEBTEDNESS, AND, WHERE APPLICABLE, ANTICIPATION NOTES.
9 10	(E) "CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER" MEANS THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE NEW PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.
11 12	(F) "COSTS" AS APPLIED TO ANY PROJECT MEANS ALL COSTS OF THE PROJECT, INCLUDING:
13 14	(1) THE COST OF ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, EQUIPPING, MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, AND RENOVATION;
15 16	(2) THE COST OF ACQUISITION OF ALL LAND, RIGHTS-OF-WAY, PROPERTY RIGHTS, EASEMENTS, AND INTERESTS ACQUIRED BY THE BOARD;
17 18	(3) FINANCE CHARGES AND INTEREST PRIOR TO AND DURING CONSTRUCTION AND FOR 1 YEAR AFTER COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION;
21 22	(4) THE COST OF ARCHITECTURAL, ENGINEERING, AND LEGAL EXPENSES, PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FEASIBILITY STUDIES, SURVEYS, ESTIMATES OF COSTS AND REVENUE, AND OTHER EXPENSES NECESSARY OR DESIRABLE FOR DETERMINING THE FEASIBILITY OR PRACTICALITY OF CONSTRUCTION OF ANY PROJECT;
24 25	(5) RESERVES FOR THE PAYMENT OF DEBT SERVICE, OPERATING RESERVES, AND REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT FUNDS; AND
	(6) ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENSES NECESSARY OR ALLOCABLE TO ANY PROJECT, THE FINANCING OR REFINANCING OF ANY PROJECT, THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, AND THE PLACING OF ANY PROJECT IN OPERATION.
	(G) "PROJECT" MEANS THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, EQUIPPING, MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, OR RENOVATION OF ANY PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITY.
34 35	(H) "PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITY" MEANS A BUILDING, PARKING FACILITY, ATHLETIC FACILITY, TESTING FACILITY, OR OTHER FACILITY IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, NOW EXISTING OR HEREAFTER ACQUIRED OR CONSTRUCTED, THAT IS USED BY THE BOARD IN RELATION TO THE EDUCATION OF STUDENTS IN THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM.

1 4-412.

2 (A) IN ORDER TO PROVIDE PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES, THE BOARD MAY:

3 (1) ACQUIRE, CONSTRUCT, RECONSTRUCT, EQUIP, MAINTAIN, REPAIR,
4 OR RENOVATE FACILITIES AT ANY LOCATION IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, NOW
5 EXISTING OR HEREAFTER ACQUIRED;

6 (2) ISSUE BONDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROCEDURES,
7 REQUIREMENTS, AND LIMITATIONS APPLICABLE TO THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS BY
8 THE BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS OF THE BALTIMORE CITY
9 PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM UNDER § 4-306.2 OF THIS TITLE;

10 (3) IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE LAW, ACQUIRE, HOLD, AND DISPOSE
11 OF REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY IN THE EXERCISE OF ITS POWERS AND THE
12 PERFORMANCE OF ITS DUTIES UNDER THIS SUBTITLE;

(4) ENTER INTO ALL CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS NECESSARY OR
14 INCIDENTAL TO THE PERFORMANCE OF ITS DUTIES AND THE EXECUTION OF ITS
15 POWERS UNDER THIS SUBTITLE, EMPLOY CONSULTING ENGINEERS, ARCHITECTS,
16 ATTORNEYS, CONSTRUCTION AND FINANCIAL EXPERTS, AND OTHER EMPLOYEES
17 AND AGENTS, AND DETERMINE THEIR COMPENSATION;

(5) RECEIVE AND ACCEPT FROM THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA OR
 ANY AGENCY OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT GRANTS AND LOANS FOR THE
 PURPOSE OF FINANCING OR REFINANCING ALL OR ANY PART OF THE COSTS OF ANY
 PROJECT;

(6) RECEIVE AND ACCEPT AID OR CONTRIBUTIONS FROM ANY SOURCES
OF MONEY, PROPERTY, LABOR, OR OTHER THINGS OF VALUE TO BE HELD, USED, AND
APPLIED FOR THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS WERE
MADE; AND

26 (7) PERFORM ALL ACTS AND OTHER THINGS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT 27 THE POWERS EXPRESSLY GRANTED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(B) THE BOARD SHALL MAINTAIN RECORDS IDENTIFYING THE SOURCES AND
29 AMOUNTS OF PAYMENTS USED TO SUPPORT THE COSTS OF ANY PROJECT
30 AUTHORIZED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

31 4-412.1.

32 (A) THE BOARD MAY ISSUE BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING OR33 REFINANCING ALL OR ANY PART OF THE COSTS OF ANY PROJECT.

34 (B) THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF BONDS OUTSTANDING,
35 INCLUDING THE AMOUNT OF ANY RESERVE FUND REQUIREMENT ESTABLISHED FOR
36 THE BONDS, MAY NOT EXCEED, AS OF THE DATE THE BONDS ARE ISSUED, \$25,000,000.

(C) BONDS SHALL BE AUTHORIZED BY A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD AND
 MAY BE SECURED BY A TRUST AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE BOARD AND A
 CORPORATE TRUSTEE OR TRUSTEES WHICH MAY BE ANY TRUST COMPANY OR BANK
 HAVING THE POWERS OF A TRUST COMPANY WITHIN OR OUTSIDE OF THE STATE.

5 (D) BEFORE THE BOARD MAY ISSUE A BOND UNDER THIS SECTION, THE
6 COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY
7 SHALL PASS A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BOARD'S ISSUANCE OF THE BOND AND
8 SHALL FORWARD THAT RESOLUTION TO THE BOARD.

9 (E) THE RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD AUTHORIZING THE BONDS:

10 (1) SHALL DESCRIBE THE PROJECTS THAT ARE TO BE FINANCED OR 11 REFINANCED BY THE BOND;

12 (2) SHALL STATE THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF THE BOND;

13 (3) SHALL DESCRIBE THE SOURCES OF PAYMENT OF THE BONDS;

14(4)SHALL PROVIDE THAT THE PROCEEDS OF THE BONDS BE INVESTED15IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY INVESTMENT POLICY APPROVED BY THE BOARD; AND

16 (5) MAY PROVIDE THAT THE BONDS ARE REDEEMABLE BEFORE
17 MATURITY AT A PRICE OR PRICES AND UNDER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OR IN
18 ACCORDANCE WITH A METHOD DETERMINED BY THE BOARD.

19 (F) THE RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OR THE TRUST AGREEMENT RELATING 20 TO THE BONDS MAY CONTAIN PROVISIONS THAT:

(1) LIMIT THE PURPOSE TO WHICH THE PROCEEDS OF ANY ISSUE OF
 BONDS MAY BE APPLIED AND RESTRICT THE INVESTMENT OF REVENUES OR BOND
 PROCEEDS IN GOVERNMENT OBLIGATIONS FOR WHICH PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST
 ARE UNCONDITIONALLY GUARANTEED BY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA;

25 (2) PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF ADDITIONAL BONDS TO FINANCE
26 OR REFINANCE ANY PROJECTS, WHICH MAY NOT EXCEED THE TOTAL VALUE OF THE
27 OUTSTANDING BONDS ALLOWED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION;

28 (3) ASSIGN ALL OR ANY PART OF THE BOARD'S FUNDS OR ASSETS;

29 (4) PROTECT AND ENFORCE THE RIGHTS AND REMEDIES OF THE
30 BONDHOLDERS THAT ARE REASONABLE AND PROPER AND NOT IN VIOLATION OF
31 THE LAW, INCLUDING COVENANTS REGARDING:

32 (I) THE DUTIES OF THE BOARD IN RELATION TO THE PROJECT;

33 (II) THE DUTIES OF THE BOARD IN RELATION TO ITS FUNDS;

34 (III) THE CUSTODY, SAFEGUARDING, AND APPLICATION OF ALL

35 MONEYS; AND

(IV) THE RIGHTS AND REMEDIES OF BONDHOLDERS AND
 TRUSTEES, INCLUDING RESTRICTIONS ON THE INDIVIDUAL RIGHT OF ACTION BY
 BONDHOLDERS; AND

4 (5) THE BOARD DEEMS REASONABLE AND PROPER FOR THE SECURITY
5 OF THE BONDHOLDERS, INCLUDING COVENANTS PERTAINING TO THE ISSUANCE OF
6 ADDITIONAL PARITY BONDS UPON STATED CONDITIONS.

7 (G) THE BONDS SHALL:

8 (1) BE DATED AND BEAR INTEREST AT THE FIXED OR VARIABLE RATE
9 OR RATES DETERMINED BY THE METHOD PROVIDED IN THE RESOLUTION OF THE
10 BOARD AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS;

(2) MATURE AT A TIME OR TIMES NOT EXCEEDING THE USEFUL LIFE OF
 THE PROJECTS FOR WHICH THE BONDS ARE ISSUED, BUT IN NO EVENT SHALL THE
 MATURITY OF THE BONDS EXCEED 15 YEARS FROM THEIR DATE OR DATES OF ISSUE,
 AS MAY BE DETERMINED BY THE BOARD;

15 (3) BE ISSUED AT, ABOVE, OR BELOW PAR VALUE FOR CASH OR OTHER 16 VALUABLE CONSIDERATION;

17 (4) BE PAYABLE AT A TIME OR TIMES, IN THE DENOMINATIONS AND
18 FORM, EITHER COUPON OR REGISTERED OR BOTH, AND CARRY THE REGISTRATION
19 AND PRIVILEGES AS TO CONVERSION AND FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF MUTILATED,
20 LOST, OR DESTROYED BONDS AS THE RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD MAY PROVIDE;

(5) BEAR THE MANUAL OR FACSIMILE SIGNATURE OF THE CHIEF
 EXECUTIVE OFFICER OR ONE OF THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IN CASE ANY
 OFFICER WHOSE MANUAL OR FACSIMILE SIGNATURE APPEARS ON ANY BONDS OR
 COUPONS CEASES TO BE AN OFFICER BEFORE THE DELIVERY OF THE BONDS, THE
 SIGNATURE OR FACSIMILE OF THE FORMER OFFICER IS VALID AND SUFFICIENT FOR
 ALL PURPOSES AS IF THE OFFICER HAD REMAINED IN OFFICE UNTIL DELIVERY;

27 (6) BEAR THE OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE BOARD OR A FACSIMILE OF THE
28 SEAL AFFIXED TO THE BONDS AND ATTESTED BY THE MANUAL OR FACSIMILE
29 SIGNATURE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD;

30 (7) BE PAYABLE IN LAWFUL MONEY OF THE UNITED STATES OF 31 AMERICA AT A DESIGNATED PLACE;

32 (8) BE SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF PURCHASE, PAYMENT, REDEMPTION,
33 REFUNDING, OR REFINANCING THAT THE RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD PROVIDES;
34 AND

35 (9) BE SOLD IN THE MANNER AND UPON THE TERMS DETERMINED BY
 36 THE BOARD, INCLUDING PRIVATE OR NEGOTIATED SALE.

(H) ALL BONDS ISSUED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE SHALL
 HAVE ALL THE QUALITIES AND INCIDENTS OF NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS UNDER
 THE LAWS OF THE STATE RELATING TO NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS.

4 (I) PRIOR TO THE PREPARATION OF DEFINITIVE BONDS, THE BOARD, UNDER
5 LIKE RESTRICTIONS, MAY ISSUE INTERIM RECEIPTS OR TEMPORARY BONDS, WITH
6 OR WITHOUT COUPONS, EXCHANGEABLE FOR DEFINITIVE BONDS WHEN THE BONDS
7 ARE EXECUTED AND AVAILABLE FOR DELIVERY.

8 (J) (1) BONDS MAY BE ISSUED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE:

9 (I) WITHOUT OBTAINING THE CONSENT OF ANY DEPARTMENT, 10 DIVISION, COMMISSION, BOARD, BUREAU, OR AGENCY OF THE STATE; OR

(II) WITHOUT ANY OTHER PROCEEDINGS OR THE OCCURRENCE OF
 ANY OTHER CONDITIONS OTHER THAN THOSE PROCEEDINGS OR CONDITIONS THAT
 ARE REQUIRED SPECIFICALLY BY PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

14 (2) THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE 8, SUBTITLE 2 OF THE STATE FINANCE
15 AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE DO NOT APPLY TO BONDS ISSUED UNDER THE
16 PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

17 (K) THE BOARD SHALL ESTABLISH ONE OR MORE TRUST FUNDS FOR THE 18 DEPOSIT OF THE PROCEEDS OF THE BONDS OF ANY ISSUE.

19 (L) THE BOARD MAY:

20 (1) MAINTAIN SEPARATE ACCOUNTS FOR PURPOSES OF IDENTIFYING
21 THE SOURCES OF PAYMENT OF THE BONDS FOR THE ACQUISITION, DEVELOPMENT,
22 OR IMPROVEMENT OF PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES; AND

(2) RETAIN THE INTEREST REVENUE OR OTHER INVESTMENT INCOME
FROM THE BONDS OF ANY ISSUE FOR THE PURPOSES OF APPLYING THE REVENUE OR
INCOME TO THE COSTS OF ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING, RECONSTRUCTING,
RENOVATING, EQUIPPING, MAINTAINING, OR REPAIRING SCHOOL FACILITIES.

27 (M) (1) ANY BOND ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE SHALL STATE ON ITS FACE
28 THAT THE BOND DOES NOT CREATE OR CONSTITUTE ANY INDEBTEDNESS OR
29 OBLIGATION OF THE STATE, OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND COUNTY COUNCIL OF
30 PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, OR OF ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE
31 STATE, EXCEPT THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.

(2) THE BONDS DO NOT CONSTITUTE A DEBT OR OBLIGATION
CONTRACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OR PLEDGE THE FAITH AND CREDIT OF
THE STATE WITHIN THE MEANING OF ARTICLE III, § 34 OF THE MARYLAND
CONSTITUTION.

36 (N) THE BONDS OF ANY ISSUE SHALL BE PAYABLE FROM AND SECURED37 SOLELY BY:

1 (1) ALL OR ANY PART OF THE FEES OR REVENUES GENERATED BY AN 2 ACTIVITY OF THE BOARD TO THE EXTENT LAWFULLY AVAILABLE FOR SUCH 3 PURPOSE;

4 (2) THE PROCEEDS OF THE BONDS AND INVESTMENT EARNINGS 5 THEREON;

6 (3) ANY GRANT OR GIFT RECEIVED BY THE BOARD TO THE EXTENT 7 LAWFULLY AVAILABLE FOR SUCH PURPOSE;

8 (4) RESERVES OR OTHER FUNDS ESTABLISHED FOR THE BONDS UNDER 9 THE RESOLUTION OR TRUST AGREEMENT;

(5) ANY MONEYS THAT MAY LAWFULLY BE APPLIED TO THE PAYMENT
 OF THE BONDS, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION ANY APPROPRIATION BY THE
 STATE OR PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY MADE LAWFULLY AVAILABLE FOR SUCH
 PURPOSE; OR

14 (6) ANY SOURCE OF FUNDS TO WHICH THE BOARD HAS ACCESS TO THE 15 EXTENT LAWFULLY AVAILABLE FOR SUCH PURPOSE.

16 (O) PRIOR TO AND DURING CONSTRUCTION AND FOR 1 YEAR AFTER
17 COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION OF ANY PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITY FOR WHICH
18 BONDS HAVE BEEN ISSUED, THE INTEREST ON THE BONDS MAY BE PAID OUT OF THE
19 PROCEEDS OF THE BONDS OR OUT OF OTHER MONEYS ALLOCATED FOR THAT
20 PURPOSE.

21 (P) (1) THE BOARD MAY PROVIDE, FROM TIME TO TIME, FOR THE ISSUANCE
22 AND SALE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROCEDURES
23 SET FORTH IN ARTICLE 31, § 12 OF THE CODE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS.

(2) EXCEPT WHERE THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE WOULD BE
INAPPLICABLE TO BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES, THE TERM "BONDS" AS USED IN THIS
SUBTITLE SHALL INCLUDE BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES, INCLUDING THE
PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO THE EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION BY THE STATE AND
ITS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS.

29 (Q) IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF ANY BONDS, THE BOARD MAY:

30 (1) OBTAIN OR ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS FOR BOND
31 INSURANCE, RESERVE FUND INSURANCE, A LETTER OF CREDIT, A LINE OF CREDIT,
32 OR ANY FORM OF ADDITIONAL, SUBSTITUTE, OR REPLACEMENT SECURITY FOR ANY
33 BONDS; AND

(2) PLEDGE OR ASSIGN ALL OR ANY PART OF THE FUNDS OF THE BOARD
TO THE REPAYMENT OR REIMBURSEMENT OF THE PROVIDER OF THE BOND
INSURANCE, RESERVE FUND INSURANCE, LETTER OF CREDIT, LINE OF CREDIT, OR
OTHER FORM OF ADDITIONAL, SUBSTITUTE, OR REPLACEMENT SECURITY.

1 (R) ANY OF THE AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS MAY CONTAIN THE 2 COVENANTS, TERMS, AND CONDITIONS AS MAY BE CONTAINED IN ANY TRUST 3 AGREEMENT FOR ANY BONDS.

4 (S) ANY BANK OR TRUST COMPANY INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE
5 STATE THAT ACTS AS A DEPOSITORY OF THE PROCEEDS OF THE BONDS MAY
6 FURNISH INDEMNIFYING BONDS OR PLEDGE SECURITIES AS REQUIRED BY THE
7 BOARD.

8 (T) THE RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS IS A TRUST 9 AGREEMENT IF IT SO STIPULATES.

10 (U) ALL EXPENSES INCURRED IN CARRYING OUT THE PROVISIONS OF ANY
11 TRUST AGREEMENT OR ANY RESOLUTION MAY BE TREATED AS A PART OF THE COST
12 OF THE OPERATION OF THE BOARD.

(V) UPON THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, THE STATE COMPTROLLER SHALL
WITHHOLD FROM ANY INSTALLMENT DUE THE BOARD FROM THE GENERAL STATE
SCHOOL FUND MONEYS FOR DEPOSIT TO THE CREDIT OF A SINKING FUND
MAINTAINED TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS. SUCH MONEYS
SHALL BE WITHHELD UNTIL THE BONDS ARE NO LONGER OUTSTANDING AND
UNPAID AND SHALL BE WITHHELD IN INSTALLMENTS. THE AMOUNT OF EACH
INSTALLMENT SHALL BE DETERMINED AT THE TIME THE BONDS ARE ISSUED AND
SHALL BE PROVIDED IN WRITING BY THE BOARD TO THE STATE COMPTROLLER,
PROVIDED THAT THE FREQUENCY AND AMOUNT OF SUCH INSTALLMENTS SHALL
ALLOW FOR THE TIMELY PAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON THE
BONDS.

24 4-412.2.

(A) THE EXERCISE OF THE POWERS GRANTED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THIS
SUBTITLE SHALL BE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE STUDENTS WHO ATTEND THE PUBLIC
SCHOOLS UNDER THE BOARD AND FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THEIR EDUCATION,
PROSPERITY, HEALTH, LIVING CONDITIONS, AND GENERAL WELFARE.

(B) THE BOARD SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO PAY ANY TAXES OR
ASSESSMENTS OF ANY KIND WHATSOEVER AND ITS BONDS, THEIR TRANSFER, THE
INTEREST PAYABLE ON THEM, AND ANY INCOME DERIVED FROM THEM, INCLUDING
ANY PROFIT REALIZED IN THEIR SALE OR EXCHANGE, SHALL BE EXEMPT AT ALL
TIMES FROM EVERY KIND AND NATURE OF TAXATION BY THE STATE OR BY ANY OF
ITS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS, MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS, OR PUBLIC AGENCIES OF
ANY KIND.

36 4-412.3.

37 THE BONDS ARE INVESTMENT SECURITIES.

1 4-412.4.

2 THE TITLE TO ANY PROPERTY ACQUIRED OR CONSTRUCTED UNDER THE3 PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE HELD IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE LAW.

4 4-412.5.

5 (A) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE, BEING NECESSARY FOR THE
6 WELFARE OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY AND ITS INHABITANTS, SHALL BE
7 LIBERALLY CONSTRUED TO EFFECT THE PURPOSES OF THE PROVISIONS.

8 (B) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE ARE SEVERABLE AND, IF ANY OF THE
9 PROVISIONS SHALL BE HELD UNCONSTITUTIONAL BY ANY COURT OF COMPETENT
10 JURISDICTION, THE DECISION OF THE COURT MAY NOT AFFECT OR IMPAIR ANY OF
11 THE REMAINING PROVISIONS.

12 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland 13 read as follows:

14 Article - Education

15 3-1009.

16 (A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS 17 INDICATED.

18 (B) "BONDS" MEANS REVENUE BONDS, REFUNDING BONDS, CERTIFICATES,
19 NOTES, DEMAND NOTES, COMMERCIAL PAPER, OTHER EVIDENCE OF INDEBTEDNESS,
20 AND, WHERE APPLICABLE, ANTICIPATION NOTES.

21 (C) "COSTS" AS APPLIED TO ANY PROJECT MEANS ALL COSTS OF THE 22 PROJECT, INCLUDING:

23 (1) THE COST OF ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION,
24 EQUIPPING, MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, AND RENOVATION;

(2) THE COST OF ACQUISITION OF ALL LAND, RIGHTS-OF-WAY,
PROPERTY RIGHTS, EASEMENTS, AND INTERESTS ACQUIRED BY THE COUNTY
BOARD;

28 (3) FINANCE CHARGES AND INTEREST PRIOR TO AND DURING 29 CONSTRUCTION AND FOR 1 YEAR AFTER COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION;

30 (4) THE COST OF ARCHITECTURAL, ENGINEERING, AND LEGAL
31 EXPENSES, PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FEASIBILITY STUDIES, SURVEYS, ESTIMATES OF
32 COSTS AND REVENUE, AND OTHER EXPENSES NECESSARY OR DESIRABLE FOR
33 DETERMINING THE FEASIBILITY OR PRACTICALITY OF CONSTRUCTION OF ANY
34 PROJECT;

1(5)RESERVES FOR THE PAYMENT OF DEBT SERVICE, OPERATING2RESERVES, AND REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT FUNDS; AND

3 (6) ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENSES NECESSARY OR
4 ALLOCABLE TO ANY PROJECT, THE FINANCING OR REFINANCING OF ANY PROJECT,
5 THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, AND THE PLACING OF ANY PROJECT IN OPERATION.

6 (D) "PROJECT" MEANS THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION,7 EQUIPPING, MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, OR RENOVATION OF ANY PUBLIC SCHOOL8 FACILITY.

9 (E) "PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITY" MEANS A BUILDING, PARKING FACILITY, 10 ATHLETIC FACILITY, TESTING FACILITY, OR OTHER FACILITY IN PRINCE GEORGE'S 11 COUNTY, NOW EXISTING OR HEREAFTER ACQUIRED OR CONSTRUCTED, THAT IS 12 USED BY THE COUNTY BOARD IN RELATION TO THE EDUCATION OF STUDENTS IN 13 THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM.

14 3-1009.1.

15 (A) IN ORDER TO PROVIDE PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES, THE COUNTY BOARD 16 MAY:

17 (1) ACQUIRE, CONSTRUCT, RECONSTRUCT, EQUIP, MAINTAIN, REPAIR,
18 OR RENOVATE FACILITIES AT ANY LOCATION IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, NOW
19 EXISTING OR HEREAFTER ACQUIRED;

(2) ISSUE BONDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROCEDURES,
 REQUIREMENTS, AND LIMITATIONS APPLICABLE TO THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS BY
 THE BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS OF THE BALTIMORE CITY
 PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM UNDER § 4-306.2 OF THIS ARTICLE;

(3) IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE LAW, ACQUIRE, HOLD, AND DISPOSE
OF REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY IN THE EXERCISE OF ITS POWERS AND THE
PERFORMANCE OF ITS DUTIES UNDER THIS SUBTITLE;

(4) ENTER INTO ALL CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS NECESSARY OR
INCIDENTAL TO THE PERFORMANCE OF ITS DUTIES AND THE EXECUTION OF ITS
POWERS UNDER THIS SUBTITLE, EMPLOY CONSULTING ENGINEERS, ARCHITECTS,
ATTORNEYS, CONSTRUCTION AND FINANCIAL EXPERTS, AND OTHER EMPLOYEES
AND AGENTS, AND DETERMINE THEIR COMPENSATION;

(5) RECEIVE AND ACCEPT FROM THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA OR
ANY AGENCY OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT GRANTS AND LOANS FOR THE
PURPOSE OF FINANCING OR REFINANCING ALL OR ANY PART OF THE COSTS OF ANY
PROJECT;

(6) RECEIVE AND ACCEPT AID OR CONTRIBUTIONS FROM ANY SOURCES
OF MONEY, PROPERTY, LABOR, OR OTHER THINGS OF VALUE TO BE HELD, USED, AND
APPLIED FOR THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS WERE
MADE; AND

1 (7) PERFORM ALL ACTS AND OTHER THINGS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT 2 THE POWERS EXPRESSLY GRANTED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

3 (B) THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL MAINTAIN RECORDS IDENTIFYING THE
4 SOURCES AND AMOUNTS OF PAYMENTS USED TO SUPPORT THE COSTS OF ANY
5 PROJECT AUTHORIZED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

6 3-1009.2.

7 (A) THE COUNTY BOARD MAY ISSUE BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING 8 OR REFINANCING ALL OR ANY PART OF THE COSTS OF ANY PROJECT.

9 (B) THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF BONDS OUTSTANDING,
10 INCLUDING THE AMOUNT OF ANY RESERVE FUND REQUIREMENT ESTABLISHED FOR
11 THE BONDS, MAY NOT EXCEED, AS OF THE DATE THE BONDS ARE ISSUED, \$25,000,000.

12 (C) BONDS SHALL BE AUTHORIZED BY A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
13 AND MAY BE SECURED BY A TRUST AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE COUNTY
14 BOARD AND A CORPORATE TRUSTEE OR TRUSTEES WHICH MAY BE ANY TRUST
15 COMPANY OR BANK HAVING THE POWERS OF A TRUST COMPANY WITHIN OR
16 OUTSIDE OF THE STATE.

17 (D) BEFORE THE BOARD MAY ISSUE A BOND UNDER THIS SECTION, THE
18 COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY
19 SHALL PASS A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE COUNTY BOARD'S ISSUANCE OF THE
20 BOND AND SHALL FORWARD THAT RESOLUTION TO THE COUNTY BOARD.

21 (E) THE RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD AUTHORIZING THE BONDS:

22 (1) SHALL DESCRIBE THE PROJECTS THAT ARE TO BE FINANCED OR 23 REFINANCED BY THE BOND;

24 (2) SHALL STATE THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF THE BOND;

25 (3) SHALL DESCRIBE THE SOURCES OF PAYMENT OF THE BONDS;

26 (4) SHALL PROVIDE THAT THE PROCEEDS OF THE BONDS BE INVESTED
27 IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY INVESTMENT POLICY APPROVED BY THE COUNTY
28 BOARD; AND

(5) MAY PROVIDE THAT THE BONDS ARE REDEEMABLE BEFORE
MATURITY AT A PRICE OR PRICES AND UNDER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OR IN
ACCORDANCE WITH A METHOD DETERMINED BY THE COUNTY BOARD.

32 (F) THE RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD OR THE TRUST AGREEMENT33 RELATING TO THE BONDS MAY CONTAIN PROVISIONS THAT:

(1) LIMIT THE PURPOSE TO WHICH THE PROCEEDS OF ANY ISSUE OF
 BONDS MAY BE APPLIED AND RESTRICT THE INVESTMENT OF REVENUES OR BOND

1 PROCEEDS IN GOVERNMENT OBLIGATIONS FOR WHICH PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST 2 ARE UNCONDITIONALLY GUARANTEED BY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; 3 (2)PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF ADDITIONAL BONDS TO FINANCE 4 OR REFINANCE ANY PROJECTS. WHICH MAY NOT EXCEED THE TOTAL VALUE OF THE 5 OUTSTANDING BONDS ALLOWED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION; ASSIGN ALL OR ANY PART OF THE COUNTY BOARD'S FUNDS OR 6 (3) 7 ASSETS; PROTECT AND ENFORCE THE RIGHTS AND REMEDIES OF THE 8 (4) 9 BONDHOLDERS THAT ARE REASONABLE AND PROPER AND NOT IN VIOLATION OF 10 THE LAW, INCLUDING COVENANTS REGARDING: 11 (I) THE DUTIES OF THE COUNTY BOARD IN RELATION TO THE 12 PROJECT; (II) THE DUTIES OF THE COUNTY BOARD IN RELATION TO ITS 13 14 FUNDS; THE CUSTODY, SAFEGUARDING, AND APPLICATION OF ALL 15 (III) 16 MONEYS; AND 17 (IV) THE RIGHTS AND REMEDIES OF BONDHOLDERS AND 18 TRUSTEES, INCLUDING RESTRICTIONS ON THE INDIVIDUAL RIGHT OF ACTION BY 19 BONDHOLDERS; AND 20 THE COUNTY BOARD DEEMS REASONABLE AND PROPER FOR THE (5)21 SECURITY OF THE BONDHOLDERS, INCLUDING COVENANTS PERTAINING TO THE 22 ISSUANCE OF ADDITIONAL PARITY BONDS UPON STATED CONDITIONS.

23 (G) THE BONDS SHALL:

24 (1) BE DATED AND BEAR INTEREST AT THE FIXED OR VARIABLE RATE
25 OR RATES DETERMINED BY THE METHOD PROVIDED IN THE RESOLUTION OF THE
26 COUNTY BOARD AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS;

(2) MATURE AT A TIME OR TIMES NOT EXCEEDING THE USEFUL LIFE OF
THE PROJECTS FOR WHICH THE BONDS ARE ISSUED, BUT IN NO EVENT SHALL THE
MATURITY OF THE BONDS EXCEED 15 YEARS FROM THEIR DATE OR DATES OF ISSUE,
AS MAY BE DETERMINED BY THE BOARD;

31 (3) BE ISSUED AT, ABOVE, OR BELOW PAR VALUE FOR CASH OR OTHER 32 VALUABLE CONSIDERATION;

(4) BE PAYABLE AT A TIME OR TIMES, IN THE DENOMINATIONS AND
FORM, EITHER COUPON OR REGISTERED OR BOTH, AND CARRY THE REGISTRATION
AND PRIVILEGES AS TO CONVERSION AND FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF MUTILATED,
LOST, OR DESTROYED BONDS AS THE RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD MAY
PROVIDE;

(5) BEAR THE MANUAL OR FACSIMILE SIGNATURE OF THE COUNTY
 SUPERINTENDENT OR ONE OF THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD, IN
 CASE ANY OFFICER WHOSE MANUAL OR FACSIMILE SIGNATURE APPEARS ON ANY
 BONDS OR COUPONS CEASES TO BE AN OFFICER BEFORE THE DELIVERY OF THE
 BONDS, THE SIGNATURE OR FACSIMILE OF THE FORMER OFFICER IS VALID AND
 SUFFICIENT FOR ALL PURPOSES AS IF THE OFFICER HAD REMAINED IN OFFICE
 UNTIL DELIVERY;

8 (6) BEAR THE OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE COUNTY BOARD OR A FACSIMILE
9 OF THE SEAL AFFIXED TO THE BONDS AND ATTESTED BY THE MANUAL OR
10 FACSIMILE SIGNATURE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COUNTY BOARD;

11 (7) BE PAYABLE IN LAWFUL MONEY OF THE UNITED STATES OF 12 AMERICA AT A DESIGNATED PLACE;

13 (8) BE SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF PURCHASE, PAYMENT, REDEMPTION,
14 REFUNDING, OR REFINANCING THAT THE RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
15 PROVIDES; AND

16 (9) BE SOLD IN THE MANNER AND UPON THE TERMS DETERMINED BY 17 THE COUNTY BOARD, INCLUDING PRIVATE OR NEGOTIATED SALE.

18 (H) ALL BONDS ISSUED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE SHALL
19 HAVE ALL THE QUALITIES AND INCIDENTS OF NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS UNDER
20 THE LAWS OF THE STATE RELATING TO NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS.

(I) PRIOR TO THE PREPARATION OF DEFINITIVE BONDS, THE COUNTY BOARD,
 UNDER LIKE RESTRICTIONS, MAY ISSUE INTERIM RECEIPTS OR TEMPORARY BONDS,
 WITH OR WITHOUT COUPONS, EXCHANGEABLE FOR DEFINITIVE BONDS WHEN THE
 BONDS ARE EXECUTED AND AVAILABLE FOR DELIVERY.

25 (J) (1) BONDS MAY BE ISSUED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE:

26 (I) WITHOUT OBTAINING THE CONSENT OF ANY DEPARTMENT, 27 DIVISION, COMMISSION, BOARD, BUREAU, OR AGENCY OF THE STATE; OR

28 (II) WITHOUT ANY OTHER PROCEEDINGS OR THE OCCURRENCE OF
29 ANY OTHER CONDITIONS OTHER THAN THOSE PROCEEDINGS OR CONDITIONS THAT
30 ARE REQUIRED SPECIFICALLY BY PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(2) THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE 8, SUBTITLE 2 OF THE STATE FINANCE
 AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE DO NOT APPLY TO BONDS ISSUED UNDER THE
 PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

34 (K) THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL ESTABLISH ONE OR MORE TRUST FUNDS FOR35 THE DEPOSIT OF THE PROCEEDS OF THE BONDS OF ANY ISSUE.

36 (L) THE COUNTY BOARD MAY:

MAINTAIN SEPARATE ACCOUNTS FOR PURPOSES OF IDENTIFYING

2 THE SOURCES OF PAYMENT OF THE BONDS FOR THE ACQUISITION, DEVELOPMENT, 3 OR IMPROVEMENT OF PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES; AND 4 RETAIN THE INTEREST REVENUE OR OTHER INVESTMENT INCOME (2)5 FROM THE BONDS OF ANY ISSUE FOR THE PURPOSES OF APPLYING THE REVENUE OR 6 INCOME TO THE COSTS OF ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING, RECONSTRUCTING, 7 RENOVATING, EQUIPPING, MAINTAINING, OR REPAIRING SCHOOL FACILITIES. ANY BOND ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE SHALL STATE ON ITS FACE 8 (\mathbf{M}) (1)9 THAT THE BOND DOES NOT CREATE OR CONSTITUTE ANY INDEBTEDNESS OR 10 OBLIGATION OF THE STATE, OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND COUNTY COUNCIL OF 11 PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, OR OF ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE 12 STATE, EXCEPT THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION. 13 (2)THE BONDS DO NOT CONSTITUTE A DEBT OR OBLIGATION 14 CONTRACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OR PLEDGE THE FAITH AND CREDIT OF 15 THE STATE WITHIN THE MEANING OF ARTICLE III, § 34 OF THE MARYLAND 16 CONSTITUTION. THE BONDS OF ANY ISSUE SHALL BE PAYABLE FROM AND SECURED 17 (N) 18 SOLELY BY:

19(1)ALL OR ANY PART OF THE FEES OR REVENUES GENERATED BY AN20ACTIVITY OF THE COUNTY BOARD TO THE EXTENT LAWFULLY AVAILABLE FOR SUCH21PURPOSE;

22 (2) THE PROCEEDS OF THE BONDS AND INVESTMENT EARNINGS 23 THEREON;

24 (3) ANY GRANT OR GIFT RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD TO THE 25 EXTENT LAWFULLY AVAILABLE FOR SUCH PURPOSE;

26 (4) RESERVES OR OTHER FUNDS ESTABLISHED FOR THE BONDS UNDER27 THE RESOLUTION OR TRUST AGREEMENT;

(5) ANY MONEYS THAT MAY LAWFULLY BE APPLIED TO THE PAYMENT
OF THE BONDS, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION ANY APPROPRIATION BY THE
STATE OR PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY MADE LAWFULLY AVAILABLE FOR SUCH
PURPOSE; OR

32 (6) ANY SOURCE OF FUNDS TO WHICH THE COUNTY BOARD HAS ACCESS
 33 TO THE EXTENT LAWFULLY AVAILABLE FOR SUCH PURPOSE.

34 (O) PRIOR TO AND DURING CONSTRUCTION AND FOR 1 YEAR AFTER
35 COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION OF ANY PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITY FOR WHICH
36 BONDS HAVE BEEN ISSUED, THE INTEREST ON THE BONDS MAY BE PAID OUT OF THE
37 PROCEEDS OF THE BONDS OR OUT OF OTHER MONEYS ALLOCATED FOR THAT
38 PURPOSE.

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1 (P) (1) THE COUNTY BOARD MAY PROVIDE, FROM TIME TO TIME, FOR THE 2 ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 3 PROCEDURES SET FORTH IN ARTICLE 31, § 12 OF THE CODE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF 4 BONDS.

5 (2) EXCEPT WHERE THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE WOULD BE
6 INAPPLICABLE TO BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES, THE TERM "BONDS" AS USED IN THIS
7 SUBTITLE SHALL INCLUDE BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES, INCLUDING THE
8 PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO THE EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION BY THE STATE AND
9 ITS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS.

10 (Q) IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF ANY BONDS, THE COUNTY 11 BOARD MAY:

12 (1) OBTAIN OR ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS FOR BOND
13 INSURANCE, RESERVE FUND INSURANCE, A LETTER OF CREDIT, A LINE OF CREDIT,
14 OR ANY FORM OF ADDITIONAL, SUBSTITUTE, OR REPLACEMENT SECURITY FOR ANY
15 BONDS; AND

16 (2) PLEDGE OR ASSIGN ALL OR ANY PART OF THE FUNDS OF THE 17 COUNTY BOARD TO THE REPAYMENT OR REIMBURSEMENT OF THE PROVIDER OF 18 THE BOND INSURANCE, RESERVE FUND INSURANCE, LETTER OF CREDIT, LINE OF 19 CREDIT, OR OTHER FORM OF ADDITIONAL, SUBSTITUTE, OR REPLACEMENT 20 SECURITY.

21 (R) ANY OF THE AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS MAY CONTAIN THE
22 COVENANTS, TERMS, AND CONDITIONS AS MAY BE CONTAINED IN ANY TRUST
23 AGREEMENT FOR ANY BONDS.

(S) ANY BANK OR TRUST COMPANY INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE
STATE THAT ACTS AS A DEPOSITORY OF THE PROCEEDS OF THE BONDS MAY
FURNISH INDEMNIFYING BONDS OR PLEDGE SECURITIES AS REQUIRED BY THE
COUNTY BOARD.

28 (T) THE RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS IS A TRUST 29 AGREEMENT IF IT SO STIPULATES.

30 (U) ALL EXPENSES INCURRED IN CARRYING OUT THE PROVISIONS OF ANY
31 TRUST AGREEMENT OR ANY RESOLUTION MAY BE TREATED AS A PART OF THE COST
32 OF THE OPERATION OF THE COUNTY BOARD.

(V) UPON THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, THE STATE COMPTROLLER SHALL
WITHHOLD FROM ANY INSTALLMENT DUE THE COUNTY BOARD FROM THE GENERAL
STATE SCHOOL FUND MONEYS FOR DEPOSIT TO THE CREDIT OF A SINKING FUND
MAINTAINED TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS. SUCH MONEYS
SHALL BE WITHHELD UNTIL THE BONDS ARE NO LONGER OUTSTANDING AND
UNPAID AND SHALL BE WITHHELD IN INSTALLMENTS. THE AMOUNT OF EACH
INSTALLMENT SHALL BE DETERMINED AT THE TIME THE BONDS ARE ISSUED AND
SHALL BE PROVIDED IN WRITING BY THE COUNTY BOARD TO THE STATE
COMPTROLLER, PROVIDED THAT THE FREQUENCY AND AMOUNT OF SUCH

INSTALLMENTS SHALL ALLOW FOR THE TIMELY PAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL AND
 INTEREST ON THE BONDS.

3 3-1009.3.

4 (A) THE EXERCISE OF THE POWERS GRANTED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THIS
5 SUBTITLE SHALL BE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE STUDENTS WHO ATTEND THE PUBLIC
6 SCHOOLS UNDER THE COUNTY BOARD AND FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THEIR
7 EDUCATION, PROSPERITY, HEALTH, LIVING CONDITIONS, AND GENERAL WELFARE.

8 (B) THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO PAY ANY TAXES OR
9 ASSESSMENTS OF ANY KIND WHATSOEVER AND ITS BONDS, THEIR TRANSFER, THE
10 INTEREST PAYABLE ON THEM, AND ANY INCOME DERIVED FROM THEM, INCLUDING
11 ANY PROFIT REALIZED IN THEIR SALE OR EXCHANGE, SHALL BE EXEMPT AT ALL
12 TIMES FROM EVERY KIND AND NATURE OF TAXATION BY THE STATE OR BY ANY OF
13 ITS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS, MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS, OR PUBLIC AGENCIES OF
14 ANY KIND.

15 3-1009.4.

16 THE BONDS ARE INVESTMENT SECURITIES.

17 3-1009.5.

18 THE TITLE TO ANY PROPERTY ACQUIRED OR CONSTRUCTED UNDER THE19 PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE HELD IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE LAW.

20 3-1009.6.

21 (A) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE, BEING NECESSARY FOR THE
22 WELFARE OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY AND ITS INHABITANTS, SHALL BE
23 LIBERALLY CONSTRUED TO EFFECT THE PURPOSES OF THE PROVISIONS.

(B) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE ARE SEVERABLE AND, IF ANY OF THE
PROVISIONS SHALL BE HELD UNCONSTITUTIONAL BY ANY COURT OF COMPETENT
JURISDICTION, THE DECISION OF THE COURT MAY NOT AFFECT OR IMPAIR ANY OF
THE REMAINING PROVISIONS.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to the
provisions of Section 4 of this Act, Section 2 of this Act shall take effect July 1, 2006,
the effective date of Section 7 of Chapter 289 of the Acts of the General Assembly of
2002. If the effective date of Section 7 of Chapter 289 is amended, Section 2 of this Act
shall take effect on the taking effect of Sections 20 and 21 of Chapter 289.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
effect July 1, 2004. Section 1 of this Act shall remain effective until the taking effect
of Section 2 of this Act. If Section 2 of this Act takes effect, Section 1 of this Act shall
be abrogated and of no further force and effect.