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**FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE**

House Bill 406  
Appropriations

(Delegate Niemann, *et al.*)

Budget and Taxation

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**Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2005 - Prince George's County -  
CASA Multi-Cultural Service Center**

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This bill repeals the requirement that the Board of Directors of CASA of Maryland, Inc., as grantee, grant and convey a historic easement to the Maryland Historical Trust as a condition to the CASA Multi-Cultural Service Center project in the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2005.

The bill takes effect June 1, 2006.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** Removing the requirement for a historic easement would not materially affect State finances.

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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**Analysis**

**Current Law:** Chapter 445 grants \$100,000 to the grantee for the construction, repair, and renovation of McCormick-Goodhart Mansion to be used as the CASA Multi-Cultural Service Center, located in Langley Park. The grantee must grant and convey a historic easement to the Maryland Historical Trust.

**Background:** The grantee leases the property where the project will be located under a 99-year lease. This property is of historical significance; however, because the grantee holds only a leasehold estate on the property, any easement granted would only be for the term of the lease. A permanent easement would require the assent of the grantee's landlord as well.

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### **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** SB 82 (Senator Britt) – Budget and Taxation.

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