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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 514  
Appropriations

(Delegate Busch)

Budget and Taxation

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Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2006 - Anne Arundel County -  
Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts

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This bill allows the Board of Directors of the Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts, Inc. to use in kind contributions to satisfy the matching fund requirement in the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan (MCCBL) of 2006 for renovation and rehabilitation of the Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts.

The bill takes effect June 1, 2007.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** Allowing in kind contributions to meet matching requirements would not materially affect State finances or operations.

**Local Effect:** The bill would not directly affect the finances or operations of Anne Arundel County.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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**Analysis**

**Current Law:** Chapter 46 of 2006 authorized up to \$350,000 in matching funds for the renovation and rehabilitation of the Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts in Annapolis. The grantee must present evidence by June 1, 2008, that matching funds will be provided. The Board of Directors of the Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts, Inc. must grant and convey a historic easement to the Maryland Historical Trust.

**Background:** The Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts is a nonprofit organization that supports the visual and performing arts. Maryland Hall is located at the former Annapolis Senior High School, which was built in 1932. Not including the funds appropriated in 2006, the State has provided \$1.8 million since 1996 for the repair and renovation of the building.

Funds appropriated in the 2006 MCCBL will allow the board of directors to replace the building's original windows, repair masonry, and remediate lead-based paint and fixtures. The proposed changes to the authorization would allow Maryland Hall to count improvements made to the facility by the Anne Arundel County Board of Education toward the required match, similar to previous authorizations. With recent improvements to the boiler system made by the county, Maryland Hall anticipates that a match could be certified soon after the bill becomes effective.

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### **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** None.

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