

SENATE BILL 307

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By: **Senator Glassman**

Introduced and read first time: January 28, 2008

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Harford County – Hosanna School Loan of 2001**

3 FOR the purpose of amending the Harford County – Hosanna School Loan of 2001 to
4 require that the loan proceeds be encumbered by the Board of Public Works or
5 expended for certain purposes by a certain date; and generally relating to the
6 Hosanna School Loan of 2001.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Chapter 466 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2001
9 Section 1

10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
11 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

12 **Chapter 466 of the Acts of 2001**

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
14 MARYLAND, That:

15 (1) The Board of Public Works may borrow money and incur indebtedness on
16 behalf of the State of Maryland through a State loan to be known as the Harford
17 County – Hosanna School Loan of 2001 in a total principal amount equal to the lesser
18 of (i) \$186,000 or (ii) the amount of the matching fund provided in accordance with
19 Section 1(5) below. This loan shall be evidenced by the issuance, sale, and delivery of
20 State general obligation bonds authorized by a resolution of the Board of Public Works
21 and issued, sold, and delivered in accordance with §§ 8–117 through 8–124 of the State
22 Finance and Procurement Article and Article 31, § 22 of the Code.

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

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (3) The cash proceeds of the sale of the bonds shall be paid to the Treasurer
2 and first shall be applied to the payment of the expenses of issuing, selling, and
3 delivering the bonds, unless funds for this purpose are otherwise provided, and then
4 shall be credited on the books of the Comptroller and expended, on approval by the
5 Board of Public Works, for the following public purposes, including any applicable
6 architects' and engineers' fees: as a grant to the Board of Commissioners of the
7 Harford County Historic Preservation Commission (referred to hereafter in this Act as
8 "the grantee") for the planning, design, construction, reconstruction, and capital
9 equipping of the Hosanna School, located in Berkley, Maryland.

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

14 (5) Prior to the payment of any funds under the provisions of this Act for the
15 purposes set forth in Section 1(3) above, the grantee shall provide and expend a
16 matching fund. No part of the grantee's matching fund may be provided, either
17 directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether appropriated or
18 unappropriated. No part of the fund may consist of real property, in kind
19 contributions, or funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act. In case of any
20 dispute as to the amount of the matching fund or what money or assets may qualify as
21 matching funds, the Board of Public Works shall determine the matter and the
22 Board's decision is final. The grantee has until June 1, 2003, to present evidence
23 satisfactory to the Board of Public Works that a matching fund will be provided. If
24 satisfactory evidence is presented, the Board shall certify this fact and the amount of
25 the matching fund to the State Treasurer, and the proceeds of the loan equal to the
26 amount of the matching fund shall be expended for the purposes provided in this Act.
27 Any amount of the loan in excess of the amount of the matching fund certified by the
28 Board of Public Works shall be canceled and be of no further effect.

29 (6) No portion of the proceeds of the loan or any of the matching funds may
30 be used for the furtherance of sectarian religious instruction, or in connection with the
31 design, acquisition, or construction of any building used or to be used as a place of
32 sectarian religious worship or instruction, or in connection with any program or
33 department of divinity for any religious denomination. Upon the request of the Board
34 of Public Works, the grantee shall submit evidence satisfactory to the Board that none
35 of the proceeds of the loan or any matching funds have been or are being used for a
36 purpose prohibited by this Act.

37 **(7) THE PROCEEDS OF THE LOAN MUST BE EXPENDED OR**
38 **ENCUMBERED BY THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR THE PURPOSES**
39 **PROVIDED IN THIS ACT NO LATER THAN JUNE 1, 2009. IF ANY FUNDS**
40 **AUTHORIZED BY THIS ACT REMAIN UNEXPENDED OR UNENCUMBERED AFTER**
41 **JUNE 1, 2009, THE AMOUNT OF THE UNENCUMBERED OR UNEXPENDED**
42 **AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE CANCELED AND BE OF NO FURTHER EFFECT. IF**

1 **BONDS HAVE BEEN ISSUED FOR THE LOAN, THE AMOUNT OF UNEXPENDED OR**
2 **UNENCUMBERED BOND PROCEEDS SHALL BE DISPOSED OF AS PROVIDED IN §**
3 **8-129 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.**

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
5 June 1, 2008.