Department of Legislative Services Maryland General Assembly 2008 Session

FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

Senate Bill 53 Budget and Taxation (Senator Gladden)

Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2006 - Baltimore City - Baltimore Clayworks

This bill extends the deadline to June 1, 2010 for the Board of Trustees of Baltimore Clayworks, Inc., as grantee, to present evidence that a matching fund will be provided for the renovation of its facility, as provided in the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2006.

The bill takes effect June 1, 2008.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Extending the deadline would not materially affect State finances or operations.

Local Effect: The bill would not affect the finances or operations of Baltimore City.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Chapter 46 of 2006 authorized up to \$200,000 in matching funds for the planning, design, construction, capital equipping, and installation of an elevator and community and multipurpose rooms, and the repair, renovation, and reconstruction, of upgrades to the plumbing, electrical, and roofing systems of Baltimore Clayworks, Inc. in Baltimore City. The grantee is required to grant and convey an historic easement to the

Maryland Historical Trust as a condition of award. The grantee must present evidence that a matching fund will be provided by June 1, 2008.

Background: Baltimore Clayworks is an arts center that provides educational and artistic programs in ceramic arts. State grant funds are part of an effort to renovate and make accessibility improvements to an historic convent deeded to the organization in 1999. Financial constraints have necessitated a rescaling of the project, though the grantee advises that a revised construction plan is complete and expects matching fund requirements to be met by the end of 2008.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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