# **Department of Legislative Services**

Maryland General Assembly 2008 Session

#### FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

Senate Bill 248

(Senator Currie)

**Budget and Taxation** 

### Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2007 - Prince George's County - Ernest Everett Just Monument

This bill amends the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2007 to reduce the amount of funds from \$150,000 to \$10,000 that the Ernest Everett Just Foundation, Inc., as grantee, must provide to meet the legislation's matching fund requirement for construction of a statue commemorating Ernest Everett Just.

The bill takes effect June 1, 2008.

## **Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** Reducing the matching fund requirement would not materially affect State finances or operations.

**Local Effect:** The bill would not directly affect the finances or operations of Prince George's County.

Small Business Effect: None.

## **Analysis**

**Current Law:** Chapter 488 of 2007 authorized up to \$150,000 in matching funds for the planning, design, and construction of a statue in Mitchellville commemorating Ernest Everett Just. The required matching funds were authorized to include real property, in-kind contributions, or funds expended prior to June 1, 2007.

**Background:** The monument to Dr. Ernest Everett Just, an accomplished biologist and professor, is planned as a seven-foot bronze statue located in front of the Ernest Everett Just Middle School. The grantee advises that the reduced matching fund requirement would be met with a contribution from the artist commissioned to sculpt the monument.

#### **Additional Information**

Prior Introductions: None.

**Cross File:** None.

Information Source(s): Ernest Everett Just Foundation, Department of Legislative

Services

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