

SENATE BILL 479

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By: **Senators Pipkin and Jacobs**

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Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Transportation Authority – Bonding Authority**

3 FOR the purpose of modifying a certain limit on the issuance of certain debt by the
4 Maryland Transportation Authority; and generally relating to Maryland
5 Transportation Authority revenue bonds and the issuance of debt.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7 Article – Transportation
8 Section 4–306
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (2008 Replacement Volume)

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

13 **Article – Transportation**

14 4–306.

15 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, revenue bonds may be
16 issued by the Authority:

17 (1) Without obtaining the consent of any instrumentality, agency, or
18 unit of this State; and

19 (2) Without any proceedings or the happening of any conditions or
20 things other than those specifically required by this subtitle.

21 (b) (1) (i) Subject to subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, revenue
22 bonds secured by toll revenue may be issued in any amount as long as the aggregate
23 outstanding and unpaid principal balance of the revenue bonds secured by toll revenue

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 and revenue bonds of prior issues does not exceed [\$3,000,000,000] **\$1,900,000,000**
2 on June 30 of any year.

3 (ii) The maximum aggregate amount of revenue bonds that may
4 be outstanding and unpaid under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph shall be reduced
5 by the amount of:

6 1. Any loan extended to the State under the federal
7 Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act; and

8 2. Any line of credit extended to the State under the
9 federal Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act, to the extent the
10 State draws on the line of credit.

11 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this section and § 4–205 of this
12 title, without the approval of the General Assembly, the Authority may issue bonds to
13 refinance all or any part of the cost of a transportation facility project for which the
14 Authority previously issued bonds authorized under this subtitle.

15 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
16 July 1, 2009.