

Department of Legislative Services  
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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 1258  
Appropriations

(Delegates Proctor and Vallario)

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Legislative Community Initiatives Loan of 2004 and Maryland Consolidated  
Capital Bond Loan of 2007 - Prince George's County - Marlton Gazebo

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This bill modifies the matching fund requirements associated with the Marlton Gazebo project, as specified in the Legislative Community Initiatives Loan of 2004 and the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2007, to make them consistent. Thus, the grants may consist of in-kind contributions as well as funds expended prior to the original effective dates and do not require the grantee convey an historical easement to the Maryland Historical Trust.

The bill takes effect June 1, 2009.

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Fiscal Summary

**State Effect:** The bill does not directly affect governmental operations or finances.

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

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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Analysis

**Current Law:** Chapter 204 of 2003, as amended by Chapter 432 of 2004 and Chapter 448 of 2007, each authorized up to \$100,000 in matching funds for the Marlton Gazebo. Chapter 204 preauthorized funding, whereas Chapter 432 allocated it to the project and specified that the matching fund could consist of in-kind contributions, but not funds expended prior to the bill's effective date. Chapter 448 required the

conveyance of an historical easement and indicated that the matching fund could consist of funds expended prior to the bill's effective date; however, in-kind contributions were not included.

**Background:** The grantee advises that work on the Marlton Gazebo is largely completed. However, the project is awaiting the release of the matching funds to maintain the structure and the surrounding areas. The grantee also advises that the requirement to convey an historic easement must be changed because Prince George's County owns the land on which the Gazebo sits; thus, it is not possible for the grantee to fulfill this requirement.

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### **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** None.

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