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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

Senate Bill 198 (Senator Garagiola)
Budget and Taxation

Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2008 - Montgomery County - The Arc of Montgomery County Group Homes

This bill amends the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2008 to allow the Arc of Montgomery County to construct, repair, renovate, reconstruct, and equip group homes anywhere in Montgomery County rather than just in the City of Rockville.

The bill takes effect June 1, 2009.

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 Montgomery County.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Chapter 336 of 2008 authorized up to \$250,000 in matching funds for the construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of a group home located in Rockville. The matching fund requirements may consist of in-kind contributions or funds expended prior to June 1, 2008.

Background: Funds will be used for equipment repair, house repairs, and other renovations at three to four Montgomery County area group homes owned by the Arc. The project will serve over 150 adults with severe disabilities.

The \$375,000 project is financed by a combination of State and private capital reserve funds; matching funds have not been certified.

The Arc of Montgomery County is a private nonprofit organization founded in the early 1950s to provide programs and services to adults and children with developmental disabilities. The Arc of Montgomery County provides rehabilitation, job training, housing, and education for individuals with mental retardation or other developmental disabilities. The Arc operates 61 group homes and serves 2,500 individuals and families annually.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: HB 239 (Delegate Taylor, *et al.*) - Appropriations.

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