HOUSE BILL 1460

By: **Delegates V. Turner, Valderrama, and Walker** Introduced and read first time: February 26, 2010 Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Creation of a State Debt – Prince George's County – Hope Institute

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of Community Builders, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 11 MARYLAND, That:

12The Board of Public Works may borrow money and incur indebtedness on (1)13behalf of the State of Maryland through a State loan to be known as the Prince 14George's County – Hope Institute Loan of 2010 in a total principal amount equal to the 15lesser of (i) \$100,000 or (ii) the amount of the matching fund provided in accordance with Section 1(5) below. This loan shall be evidenced by the issuance, sale, and 16delivery of State general obligation bonds authorized by a resolution of the Board of 1718 Public Works and issued, sold, and delivered in accordance with §§ 8–117 through 198–124 of the State Finance and Procurement Article and Article 31, § 22 of the Code.

20 (2) The bonds to evidence this loan or installments of this loan may be sold 21 as a single issue or may be consolidated and sold as part of a single issue of bonds 22 under § 8–122 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

(3) The cash proceeds of the sale of the bonds shall be paid to the Treasurer and first shall be applied to the payment of the expenses of issuing, selling, and delivering the bonds, unless funds for this purpose are otherwise provided, and then shall be credited on the books of the Comptroller and expended, on approval by the Board of Public Works, for the following public purposes, including any applicable

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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architects' and engineers' fees: as a grant to the Board of Directors of Community
Builders, Inc. (referred to hereafter in this Act as "the grantee") for the planning and
design of the Hope Institute, located in Temple Hills.

4 (4) An annual State tax is imposed on all assessable property in the State in 5 rate and amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds, as and 6 when due and until paid in full. The principal shall be discharged within 15 years 7 after the date of issuance of the bonds.

8 Prior to the payment of any funds under the provisions of this Act for the (5)9 purposes set forth in Section 1(3) above, the grantee shall provide and expend a 10matching fund. No part of the grantee's matching fund may be provided, either directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether appropriated 11 or 12unappropriated. No part of the fund may consist of real property or funds expended 13prior to the effective date of this Act. The fund may consist of in kind contributions. In 14case of any dispute as to the amount of the matching fund or what money or assets 15may qualify as matching funds, the Board of Public Works shall determine the matter 16and the Board's decision is final. The grantee has until June 1, 2012, to present 17evidence satisfactory to the Board of Public Works that a matching fund will be provided. If satisfactory evidence is presented, the Board shall certify this fact and the 18amount of the matching fund to the State Treasurer, and the proceeds of the loan 19equal to the amount of the matching fund shall be expended for the purposes provided 2021in this Act. Any amount of the loan in excess of the amount of the matching fund 22certified by the Board of Public Works shall be canceled and be of no further effect.

(6) The proceeds of the loan must be expended or encumbered by the Board
of Public Works for the purposes provided in this Act no later than June 1, 2017. If any
funds authorized by this Act remain unexpended or unencumbered after June 1, 2017,
the amount of the unencumbered or unexpended authorization shall be canceled and
be of no further effect. If bonds have been issued for the loan, the amount of
unexpended or unencumbered bond proceeds shall be disposed of as provided in
§ 8–129 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

30 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 31 June 1, 2010.

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