Department of Legislative Services

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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 1366

(Delegate Bohanan)

Appropriations

Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2006 - St. Mary's County - St. Mary's College Amphitheater

This bill amends the St. Mary's College Amphitheater grant, as established by the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2006, and repurposes \$150,000 of grant funds to the Pathway's Facility Renovation – another project in St. Mary's County.

The bill takes effect June 1, 2010.

Fiscal Summary

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

Local Effect: The bill does not affect the finances or operations of St. Mary's County.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Bill Summary: The bill authorizes up to \$150,000 in matching funds to the Board of Directors of Pathway's Inc. for the construction repair, renovation, and capital equipping of the Pathway's facility. Matching funds may consist of real property, but may not consist of in-kind contributions or funds expended prior to the June 1, 2006 effective date of Chapter 46.

Current Law: Chapter 46 of 2006 authorizes up to \$250,000 in matching funds to the Board of Directors of the St. Mary's College of Maryland Foundation, Inc. for the planning, design, construction, and capital equipping of the St. Mary's College Amphitheater. Matching funds may not consist of in-kind contributions, but may consist

of real property and funds expended prior to the June 1, 2006 effective date of Chapter 46. Chapter 336 of 2008 also authorizes up to \$300,000 in matching funds for this project.

Chapter 485 of 2009 authorizes up to \$175,000 in matching funds to the Board of Directors of Pathway's, Inc. for the construction, repair, renovation, and capital equipping of the Pathway's facility.

Background: St. Mary's College of Maryland Foundation, Inc. planned to renovate and upgrade the St. Mary's College Amphitheater to support the River Concert Series and other community events at St. Mary's College. However, the grantee advises that the project is indefinitely on hold because anticipated matching funds have been withdrawn due to economic constraints. Thus, the grantee advises that the grant will not be used.

Pathway's Inc. is the longest operating provider of community-based mental health services in St. Mary's County. The purpose of the project is to perform extensive renovation to facilities to enable the operation of a Psychiatric Rehabilitation Program. The grantee advises that renovations are planned for two buildings at the Pathway's facility; 2009 State grant funding will be used to renovate one of the buildings, and funding authorized by the bill will be used for needed renovations to the second building. The grantee further advises that matching funds are in place for grant funding authorized by the bill.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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