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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

Senate Bill 506

(Senator Pinsky)

Budget and Taxation

Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2006 - Prince George's County - YMCA Renaissance Square

This bill changes the grantee, purpose, location, authorized uses, matching fund requirements, and deadline to present evidence of a matching fund for the YMCA Renaissance Square grant as established in the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2006.

The grant is modified from its original purpose, which was to construct a YMCA facility, and will be used to repair and renovate a building located at 3505 Hamilton Street in Hyattsville. Accordingly, the grantee changes from the Board of Directors of YMCA Metropolitan Washington, Inc. to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Hyattsville. The bill also specifies that the matching fund requirement may consist of real property or funds expended prior to June 1, 2010.

The bill takes effect June 1, 2010.

Fiscal Summary

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

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

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Chapter 46 of 2006 authorizes up to \$200,000 in matching funds for the design and construction – including site preparation – of the YMCA Renaissance Square located in Hyattsville. No part of the grantee's matching fund may consist of real property, in-kind contributions, or funds expended prior to June 1, 2006.

Background: The original purpose of the grant was to construct a YMCA facility at a different location in the city. However, due to difficulties associated with opening a similar facility in another area, YMCA had to abandon the project in Hyattsville. The city now plans to use the State grant to renovate and upgrade the 19,000 square-foot building located at 3505 Hamilton Street. Once the upgrades are complete, the city anticipates leasing the space to a nonprofit organization that will provide direct services to local youths or senior residents.

The city estimates that the building needs between \$300,000 and \$500,000 worth of improvements. The needed renovations include replacing windows and the heating and air conditioning system, and upgrading the building's disability access. The city advises that it is in the final stages of purchasing the building and has the required matching funds for the project.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: HB 643 (Delegate Gaines, *et al.*) - Appropriations.

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