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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – JCCGW Theatre Renovation

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, 4 the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Jewish $\mathbf{5}$ Community Center of Greater Washington, Inc. for certain development or 6 improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject 7 to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; 8 prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious 9 purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds 10 11 evidencing the loan.

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 13 MARYLAND, That:

14 The Board of Public Works may borrow money and incur indebtedness on (1)15behalf of the State of Maryland through a State loan to be known as the Montgomery County – JCCGW Theatre Renovation Loan of 2011 in a total principal amount equal 16 17to the lesser of (i) \$250,000 or (ii) the amount of the matching fund provided in 18 accordance with Section 1(5) below. This loan shall be evidenced by the issuance, sale, 19and delivery of State general obligation bonds authorized by a resolution of the Board 20of Public Works and issued, sold, and delivered in accordance with §§ 8-117 through 218–124 of the State Finance and Procurement Article and Article 31, § 22 of the Code.

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

25 (3) The cash proceeds of the sale of the bonds shall be paid to the Treasurer 26 and first shall be applied to the payment of the expenses of issuing, selling, and

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

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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 architects' and engineers' fees: as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington, Inc. (referred to hereafter in this Act as "the grantee") for the design, construction, renovation, and capital equipping of the Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington Theatre, located in Rockville.

8 (4) An annual State tax is imposed on all assessable property in the State in 9 rate and amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds, as and 10 when due and until paid in full. The principal shall be discharged within 15 years 11 after the date of issuance of the bonds.

12Prior to the payment of any funds under the provisions of this Act for the (5)purposes set forth in Section 1(3) above, the grantee shall provide and expend a 13 matching fund. No part of the grantee's matching fund may be provided, either 1415directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether appropriated or 16 unappropriated. No part of the fund may consist of real property, in kind 17contributions, or funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act. In case of any 18 dispute as to the amount of the matching fund or what money or assets may qualify as 19matching funds, the Board of Public Works shall determine the matter and the 20Board's decision is final. The grantee has until June 1, 2013, to present evidence 21satisfactory to the Board of Public Works that a matching fund will be provided. If 22satisfactory evidence is presented, the Board shall certify this fact and the amount of 23the matching fund to the State Treasurer, and the proceeds of the loan equal to the 24amount of the matching fund shall be expended for the purposes provided in this Act. 25Any amount of the loan in excess of the amount of the matching fund certified by the 26Board of Public Works shall be canceled and be of no further effect.

27No portion of the proceeds of the loan or any of the matching funds may (6)28be used for the furtherance of sectarian religious instruction, or in connection with the 29design, acquisition, or construction of any building used or to be used as a place of 30 sectarian religious worship or instruction, or in connection with any program or 31department of divinity for any religious denomination. Upon the request of the Board 32of Public Works, the grantee shall submit evidence satisfactory to the Board that none 33 of the proceeds of the loan or any matching funds have been or are being used for a 34purpose prohibited by this Act.

(7) 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, 2018. If any funds authorized by this Act remain unexpended or unencumbered after June 1, 2018, 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.

42 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 43 June 1, 2011.