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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

Senate Bill 105 (Senator Pipkin)
Budget and Taxation

Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2010 - Queen Anne's County -
Hospice of Queen Anne's

This bill specifies that the matching fund for Hospice of Queen Anne's County, as established by the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2010, may consist of funds expended prior to June 1, 2010.

The bill takes effect June 1, 2011.

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 Queen Anne's County.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Chapter 483 of 2010 authorizes up to \$25,000 in matching funds to the Board of Directors of the Hospice of Queen Anne's County, Inc. for the acquisition of land in Centreville. No part of the grantee's matching fund may consist of real property, in-kind contributions, or funds expended prior to June 1, 2010.

Background: Hospice of Queen Anne's County, Inc. is a nonprofit organization that offers pain and symptom management services to people with terminal illnesses and bereavement support to members of the community who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

The grantee advises that the matching funds will be used to purchase land adjacent to the hospice facility in Centreville. Once acquired, the organization plans to construct an additional parking lot on the property. The hospice facility has a large conference room to host community events and train the organization's staff and volunteers. The grantee advises that there is a lack of available parking at the facility when the organization hosts events for patients and their friends and family members.

According to the grantee, the terms of the original grant should have included a provision allowing for monies expended prior to the effective date of Chapter 483 to be used to meet the project's matching fund requirement, as funds intended for this purpose were expended prior to June 1, 2010.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

Information Source(s): Hospice of Queen Anne's, Inc.; Queen Anne's County; Department of General Services; Department of Legislative Services

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