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Senate Bill 1033   (Senator Mathias)

Budget and Taxation   Appropriations

Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2015 - Worcester County - Delmarva Discovery Center and Museum

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This emergency bill adds a grantee to the Delmarva Discovery Center and Museum project, as established by the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2015.

Fiscal Summary

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

Local Effect: The bill does not affect local operations or finances.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Chapter 495 of 2015 (the fiscal 2015 capital budget) authorized two separate grants of up to $100,000 and $75,000 in matching funds to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Pocomoke for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Delmarva Discovery Center and Museum, located in Worcester County. The grantee has until June 1, 2017, to present evidence that a matching fund will be provided. Matching funds may consist of real property or funds expended prior to June 1, 2015. The proceeds of the loan must be expended by June 1, 2017.

Background: The Delmarva Discovery Center and Museum serves as a source of learning and discovery for the public through the preservation and interpretation of its cultural and natural heritage. The exhibits focus on river ecology and the human history of the

Pocomoke River and Delmarva. The museum is a 16,000 square foot, 1920s-era building and houses exhibits, a museum store, classroom, and administrative space.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: HB 1572 (Delegate Otto) - Rules and Executive Nominations.

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