

HOUSE BILL 735

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By: **Chair, Appropriations Committee (By Request – Departmental – University System of Maryland)**

Introduced and read first time: February 8, 2023

Assigned to: Appropriations

Committee Report: Favorable with amendments

House action: Adopted

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **University System of Maryland – ~~Academic Facilities Bonding Authority~~**
3 **Facilities – Bonding Authority and Sale**

4 FOR the purpose of approving certain projects for the acquisition, development, and
5 improvement of certain academic facilities for the University System of Maryland;
6 approving the issuance of bonds by the University System of Maryland in a certain
7 total principal amount for financing the projects; providing that the bonds are not a
8 debt or obligation of the State or any of its subdivisions; authorizing the Board of
9 Regents of the University System of Maryland to approve the use of money received
10 from the sale of certain property within the System for operating expenses at certain
11 campuses; and generally relating to academic facilities bonding authority of the
12 University System of Maryland and ~~certain projects~~ the sale of System property.

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

14 Article – Education

15 Section 12–104(g)

16 Annotated Code of Maryland

17 (2022 Replacement Volume)

18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

19 That:

20 (a) In accordance with § 19–102(d) of the Education Article, the following project
21 is approved as a project for an academic facility, and the University System of Maryland

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 may issue, sell, and deliver bonds in the total principal amount of \$5,000,000 for the
2 purposes of financing and refinancing the costs of the following project:

3 University of Maryland, College Park (Prince George's County):
4 Infrastructure Project

5 (b) In accordance with § 19–102(d) of the Education Article, those systemwide
6 capital facilities renewal projects for existing academic facilities of the constituent
7 institutions and centers of the University System of Maryland as authorized by the Board
8 of Regents are hereby approved as facility renewal projects for academic facilities, and the
9 University System of Maryland may issue, sell, and deliver bonds in the total principal
10 amount of \$25,000,000 for the purposes of financing and refinancing the costs of those
11 academic facilities renewal projects.

12 (c) The bonds issued under the authority of this Act do not create or constitute
13 any indebtedness or obligation of the State or of any political subdivision thereof except for
14 the University System of Maryland, and the bonds shall so state on their face. The bonds
15 do not constitute a debt or obligation contracted by the General Assembly of Maryland or
16 pledge the faith and credit of the State within the meaning of Article III, § 34 of the
17 Maryland Constitution.

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read
19 as follows:

20 Article – Education

21 12–104.

22 (g) (1) With the approval of the Board of Public Works, the Board of Regents
23 may sell or exchange any part of its real properties.

24 (2) (I) [Money] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF
25 THIS PARAGRAPH, MONEY received from the sale of property may be used, if approved by
26 the Board of Public Works, only to purchase or improve property and facilities. This money
27 may not be applied to the Annuity Bond Fund Account.

28 (II) IN ADDITION TO THE USES DESCRIBED UNDER
29 SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF
30 REGENTS, MONEY RECEIVED FROM THE SALE OF PROPERTY BY A NONRESIDENTIAL
31 CAMPUS IN THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND MAY BE USED FOR OPERATING
32 EXPENSES AT THE NONRESIDENTIAL CAMPUS.

33 SECTION ~~2~~ 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
34 June 1, 2023.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.