

act, and all other incidental expenses, connected with the execution of its provisions in connection with said loan.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the actual cash proceeds from the sale of certificates of indebtedness to be issued under this act shall be paid to the Treasurer of the State upon the warrant of the Comptroller, and such proceeds shall be used exclusively for the following purposes:

1. The Comptroller shall immediately upon the sale of and the payment for said certificates, first, return to and credit the treasury for a sum equivalent to the amount expended, as provided for in Section 4 of this act.

2. The remainder of the proceeds of said loan shall be credited on the books of the State Comptroller to be expended for the construction, improvement and development of such airports and airport facilities located inside or outside the State of Maryland, including the acquisition of such property as may be required in connection therewith, (1) which qualify for federal assistance under the Federal Airport Act of 1946, as amended; (2) for which federal participation shall not exceed fifty per centum (50%) of the cost thereof and the participation of the State of Maryland under this act shall not exceed twenty-five per centum (25%) of the cost thereof; and (3) which are publicly owned, operated, and controlled by any of the counties or municipalities of the State of Maryland or by the City of Baltimore. The participation of the State of Maryland under this act shall be granted only for projects or any part or item thereof which qualify for federal assistance under the Federal Airport Act of 1946, as amended. Such proceeds shall be expended upon the following terms and conditions:

(a) Whenever any one or more counties, municipalities or the City of Baltimore desires to participate in the financial assistance which is provided for under the terms and conditions of this act, the governing body of each of the counties, or municipalities, or the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, thereof shall file a petition with the State Aviation Commission with such information as the State Aviation Commission shall require together with preliminary plans for each project for which financial assistance is requested.

(b) Upon receipt of the petition the State Aviation Commission, shall make a written finding of fact addressed to the Board of Public Works in the form of a recommendation to that Board advising it which of the requests for financial assistance made by any of the counties, municipalities or by the City of Baltimore should be allowed and which should be denied. In making the finding of fact the State Aviation Commission shall, at the request of the Board of Public Works, determine a priority of need for airports or airport facilities as between any one or more counties or municipalities and the City of Baltimore. No grant of financial assistance shall be made until such grant has been finally ratified and approved by the Board of Public Works which shall certify the allocation of State funds to the Treasurer of the State who shall make them available to the County or municipality or the City of Baltimore when needed for projects in such form as the Board deems advisable and proper and it shall be final and conclusive upon all parties concerned.