project would be eligible if sufficient Federal funds were available, to seventy-five percent (75%) of the eligible cost of the project, except that when the size of the Federal grant is increased by the Secretary of the Interior, as the result of the project being in conformity with an approved comprehensive plan, such increase shall not be used to decrease the amount of the outright State grant. In the case of a project to be operated by a State owned institution or facility for which a federal grant offer has been made, the State grant offer shall equal the total cost of the project less the Federal grant offer.

- 3. When for lack of adequate Federal funds at the time the petition is filed, the amount of Federal Funds available for a grant is a lesser per centum of the eligible cost of the project than that to which it was found to be entitled under the provisions of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, the petition may include a request for the advance payment of the Federal deficit, provided that the petitioner shall contract to repay to the State for deposit to the Water Quality Loan account all subsequent Federal funds which the petitioner may receive to make up the original Federal deficiency.
- 4. When the petitioner has received a grant offer under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act for the construction of facilities to demonstrate an improved method of controlling the discharge to any waters of the State of untreated or inadequately treated sewage or other wastes from sewers which carry stormwater or both stormwater and sewage or other wastes; to demonstrate advanced waste treatment and water purification methods; or to provide for new or improved methods of joint treatment for municipal and industrial wastes; and for the purpose of reports, plans and specifications in connection therewith, then the funds made available under this Act shall be allocated as an outright grant to the petitioner in an amount equal to one-half (½) of the difference between the eligible cost and the amount of the federal grant offer.
- SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall not in any way affect the payment of proceeds, or the terms upon which any State grant was heretofore made pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 445 of the Acts of 1968.
- SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1969.

Approved May 14, 1969.

## CHAPTER 654

(House Bill 320)

AN ACT to authorize and empower the County Commissioners for Prince George's County, from time to time, to borrow not exceeding Nine Million, Two Hundred and Sixty-Three Thousand, Two Hundred Twenty Eight Dollars (\$9,263,228) in order to finance the construction, acquisition, improvement or extension of certain public facilities, as herein defined, and to effect such borrowing by the issuance and sale to the highest bidder or bidders at public