

appropriate additional means to expand, enlarge and establish health care hospitals and other related facilities; that existing facilities for higher education and health care are insufficient to meet these needs and the institutions concerned are not able with present means to finance adequately and to construct sufficient such facilities; and that it is the purpose of this Act to provide a measure of assistance and an additional method to enable institutions for higher education and hospitals in the State to provide the facilities and structures which are needed to accomplish the purposes of this Act, all to the public benefit and good to the extent and manner provided herein.

3. Definitions.

As used in this Act, the following words and terms shall have the following meanings unless the context indicates another or different meaning or intent:

(a) "Authority" means the Maryland Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority created by Section 4 of this Act or any board, body, commission, department, or OR officer succeeding to the principal functions thereof.

(b) "Project", in the case of a participating institution for higher education, means a structure suitable for use as a dormitory or other housing facility, dining hall, student union, administration building, academic building, library, laboratory, research facility, classroom, athletic facility, health care facility, and maintenance, storage, or utility facility and other structures or facilities related thereto or required or useful for the instruction of students or the conducting of research or the operation of an institution for higher education, including parking and other facilities or structures essential or convenient for the orderly conduct of such institution for higher education and shall also include equipment and machinery and other similar items essential or convenient for the operation of a particular facility or structure in the manner for which its use is intended but shall not include such items as books, fuel, supplies or other items which are customarily deemed to result in a current operating charge; and "project", in the case of a participating hospital, means a structure suitable for use as a hospital, clinic, or other health care facility, laboratory, training facilities for nursing and other health programs, laundry, nurses' or interns' residence, ~~administration building, research facility, and maintenance, storage or utility facility and other structures or facilities related thereto or required or useful for the~~ AND SUCH OTHER STRUCTURE OR FACILITIES NECESSARY FOR THE EFFECTIVE operation of the project, including parking and other facilities of the structures essential or convenient for the orderly operation of such project, and shall also include equipment and machinery and other similar items essential or convenient for the operation of the project in the manner for which its use is intended but shall not include such items as fuel, supplies or other items which are customarily deemed to result in a current operating charge.

(c) "Cost" as applied to a project or any portion thereof financed under the provisions of this Act shall embrace the cost of construction, reconstruction, and renovation, and acquisition of all lands, structures, property, real or personal, rights, rights of way, franchises, easements and interests acquired by the Authority or by a