THE DATE OF TRIAL, INCLUDING STORAGE AND ADVERTISING, AND THE JUDGMENT IN SUCH ACTION, IF FOR THE DEFENDANT, SHALL BE EITHER FCR THE RETURN OF THE PROPERTY REPLEVIED, OR FOR THE AMOUNT OF THE LIEN OR CLAIM, AND ANY ACCRUED EXPENSES WHICH WERE PROPERLY INCURRED BY THE DEFENDANT, INCLUDING STORAGE AND ADVERTISING; AND THE COURT MAY ALSO ALLOW A REASONABLE COUNSEL FEE TO THE DEFENDANT'S COUNSEL. THE BURDEN OF PROOF IN THE ACTION SHALL BE UPON THE DEFENDANT TO ESTABLISH HIS CLAIM OR LIEN TO THE SAME EXTENT AS IF HE WERE A PLAINTIFF IN AN ACTION TO SECURE A JUDGMENT ON AN OPEN ACCOUNT.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1974.

Approved May 31, 1974.

## CHAPTER 661

(Senate Bill 867)

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt — Maryland Academy of Sciences Loan of 1974

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State debt in the aggregate amount of [[Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000)]] Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000), the proceeds thereof [[to be known as the "Maryland Academy of Sciences' Loan of 1974"]] used to assist in the [[renovation]] construction, renovation, improvement, and equipping of the buildings and facilities of the Maryland Academy of Sciences, including the acquisition of land and the payment of architects' and engineers' fees; [[and for the purpose of furnishing the buildings and facilities of the Maryland Academy of Sciences and providing equipment for the Maryland Academy of Sciences: and to assist in meeting necessary operating expenses of the Maryland Academy of Sciences; ]] and providing generally for the issue and sale of bonds evidencing such loan.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Board of Public Works is hereby authorized and empowered to issue a State loan to be known as the "Maryland Academy of Sciences[[']] Loan of 1974," in the aggregate amount of [[Three Million Dollars