

MARYLAND, That:

(1) The Board of Public Works may borrow money and incur indebtedness on behalf of the State of Maryland through a State loan to be known as the Maryland Housing Fund Loan of 1976 in the aggregate principal amount of \$10,000,000. This loan shall be evidenced by the issuance and sale of State general obligation bonds authorized by a resolution of the Board of Public Works and issued, sold and delivered in accordance with the provisions of Sections 19 to 23 of Article 31 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement, as amended from time to time).

The bonds issued to evidence this loan or installments thereof may be sold as a single issue, or may be consolidated and sold as part of a single issue of bonds under Section 2B of Article 31 of the Code.

(2) The actual cash proceeds of the sale of the bonds shall be paid to the treasurer and shall be first applied to the payment of the expenses of issuing and delivering the bonds, unless funds for this purpose are otherwise provided, and thereafter shall be credited on the books of the State Comptroller and maintained, together with all interest earned and net gains realized from the investment and re-investment thereof, as a reserve for the Maryland Housing Fund established by Section 257K of Article 41 of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

(3) There is hereby levied and imposed an annual State tax on all assessable property in the State in rate and amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds as and when due and until paid in full, such principal to be discharged within fifteen years of the date of issue of the bonds.

(4) This Act shall take effect June 1, 1976.

Approved May 17, 1976.

CHAPTER 698

(House Bill 878)

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt - Home Financing

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$10,000,000, the proceeds to be used to provide mortgage money for disadvantaged