

provisions of this Act for the purposes set forth in Section 1.(3) above, the Board of County Commissioners of Frederick County shall provide at least \$1,200,000 as an equal and matching fund for this project. The Board of County Commissioners of Frederick County shall have until June 1, 1980 to present evidence satisfactory to the Board of Public Works of the sum that it has raised. Upon receiving from the Board of Public Works on or before June 1, 1980, a certification of suitable evidence, ~~the Treasurer of the State shall expend the proceeds of the loan~~ proceeds of the loan shall be expended in accordance with the provisions of this Act. If satisfactory evidence of the raising of the equal and matching fund for this project is not presented to the Board of Public Works on or before June 1, 1980, the proceeds of the loan shall be transferred to the Annuity Bond Fund and applied to the debt service requirements of the State.

(5) 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.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1978.

Approved May 29, 1978.

CHAPTER 958

(House Bill 1920)

AN ACT concerning

Merit System - General Assembly Employees

FOR the purpose of providing that certain employees of the General Assembly, the Department of Legislative Reference, and the Department of Fiscal Services remain full time employees for purposes of transferring to another branch of government; providing that certain employees of the General Assembly, the Department of Legislative Reference, and the Department of Fiscal Services who separate from full time permanent State service and return to certain State service within a certain period of time shall receive full credit for prior State service; providing that these employees receive prior service credit for certain purposes; providing for the method of determining their status with the General Assembly; providing that these employees who are transferred from the General Assembly after a certain date shall be compensated for any loss