(1975 Replacement Volume and 1979 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

## Article 78A - Public Works

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- (1) (I) The Board of Public Works shall in like manner supervise the expenditure of all sums appropriated for the acquisition of land, buildings, equipment, new construction and other capital expenditures, except in connection with State roads, bridges and highways, whether made through the medium of a budget bill, a supplementary appropriation bill or a State bond issue bill, and all contracts for the expenditure thereof shall be subject to the approval of said Board before the same are executed, after review by the Secretary of General Services. Except as may be otherwise permitted by other provisions of law regarding emergencies, all State construction contracts in excess of \$10,000 shall be awarded on a competitive basis. However, the Board of Public Works may approve the award of such contracts to other than the lowest bidder if the Board determines that to be in the best interest of the State.
- (II) AFTER-JULY-17-1985, AS OF THE DATE ON WHICH THE NEW 500 BED REPLACEMENT FACILITY AUTHORIZED JOINTLY IN H. B. 651/S. B. 351 AND H. B. 713/S. B. 337 IS OPEN AND ACCEPTING PRISONERS, THE BOARD MAY NOT APPROVE ANY CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OR RENOVATION OF ANY PRISON FACILITIES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES IN THE JESSUP AREA OF ANNE ARUNDEL AND HOWARD COUNTIES THAT WOULD PROVIDE FOR MORE THAN 3,400 BEDS IN THAT AREA, COMPUTED AS FOLLOWS:

JESSUP PRE-RELEASE UNIT
(INCLUDING NEW DRUG UNIT)184
PATUXENT INSTITUTION640
MARYLAND CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION FOR WOMEN249
BROCKBRIDGE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY515
HOUSE OF CORRECTION RENOVATION AND/OR
REPLACEMENTS (512+500+400+400)
TOTAL3,400.

THIS LIMITATION DOES NOT APPLY TO ANY COMMUNITY ADULT REHABILITATION CENTER.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1980.

Approved May 20, 1980.