

other evidences of indebtedness, issued on or after June 1, 1966, by Development Credit Corporation of Maryland as authorized by subsection (b) (1) of said § 414; provided, however, that the faith and credit of the State of Maryland may not be pledged to secure more than three million dollars (\$3,000,000.00) in principal amount of such indebtedness outstanding at any one time. Within the limits of this maximum amount, the Board of Public Works, upon approving a formal request therefor from Development Credit Corporation of Maryland, shall provide for pledging the faith and credit of the State of Maryland for such bonds, debentures, notes or other evidences of indebtedness.]

No officer or official of the State of Maryland, whether elected or appointed, shall be either an officer or a director of such corporation, except that any member of the Maryland Industrial Development Financing Authority may be elected a member of the board of directors of said corporation.

[426A.] 16. Supervision by Bank Commissioner.

The Development Credit Corporation of Maryland shall be fully subject to supervision by the Bank Commissioner of Maryland under the appropriate provisions of [Article 11] THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ARTICLE of the Annotated Code of Maryland. For purposes of executive organization only, the Corporation shall be a part of the Department of Economic and Community Development.

[428.] 17. Rate of interest.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of the law to the contrary, the corporation is authorized to charge interest on loans at a rate of not more than four and one-half percent in excess of the rate of interest determined by the board of directors to be the prime rate prevailing from time to time (at the time of making, extending or renewing any such loan), in the City of Baltimore on unsecured commercial loans.

It shall be permissible for such maximum interest rate to be fixed at the time of the making, extending or renewing of any loan or for such maximum interest rate to fluctuate up and down with the prime rate of interest as so determined by the board of directors.

If a fluctuating interest rate is charged on any loan, such rate shall first be determined on the date the loan is made and shall thereafter be redetermined on the first day of each January, April, July and October, whereupon the interest rate shall be appropriately increased or decreased to reflect the change, if any, in said prime rate of interest as so redetermined for the quarter commencing on the date of such redetermination of the interest rate.