

property. However, if the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene determines, after notice to the owner and an opportunity for the owner to be heard, that a default has occurred, the Secretary shall record in the land records of the political subdivision in which the property is located a notice of the amount which the State is entitled to recover; and that amount shall constitute a lien upon the property from the date of the determination. All funds recovered pursuant to this right of recovery shall be deposited in the Annuity Bond Fund and shall be applied to the debt service requirements of the State. The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene may waive the State's right of recovery if the Secretary determines that there is good cause for releasing the transferor, transferee, or owner from this obligation.

(f) The application shall initially be directed to the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene. Upon approval of a project and the project plans, the Secretary shall promptly report the application to the Board of Public Works, together with the Secretary's recommendation that the Board of Public Works make funds available as provided in this Act.

(g) The Board of Public Works shall make allocations from funds available under this Act in accordance with the provisions of this Act. The Board shall certify the allocations of State funds to the Treasurer of the State, and the Treasurer shall authorize payment to the applicant when needed for the construction, acquisition, renovation, or equipment of a facility. The Board may, in its discretion, adopt and promulgate rules and regulations for receiving applications from public and other nonprofit entities in this State and for considering applications and disbursing funds to applicants, within the intent of this Act.

(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, 1983.

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CHAPTER 571

(House Bill 353)

AN ACT concerning