

Board of Public Works shall determine the matter and the Board's decision is final. The grantee has until June 1, 2000, to present evidence satisfactory to the Board of Public Works that a matching fund will be provided. If satisfactory evidence is presented, the Board shall certify this fact and the amount of the matching fund to the State Treasurer, and the proceeds of the loan equal to the amount of the matching fund shall be expended for the purposes provided in this Act. Any amount of the loan in excess of the amount of the matching fund certified by the Board of Public Works shall be canceled and be of no further effect.

(6) No portion of the proceeds of the loan or any of the matching funds may be used for the furtherance of sectarian religious instruction, or in connection with the design, acquisition, or construction of any building used or to be used as a place of sectarian religious worship or instruction, or in connection with any program or department of divinity for any religious denomination. Upon the request of the Board of Public Works, the grantee shall submit evidence satisfactory to the Board that none of the proceeds of the loan or any matching funds have been or are being used for a purpose prohibited by this Act.

(7) THE PROCEEDS OF THE LOAN MUST BE EXPENDED OR ENCUMBERED BY THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR THE PURPOSES PROVIDED IN THIS ACT NO LATER THAN JUNE 1, 2006. IF ANY FUNDS AUTHORIZED BY THIS ACT REMAIN UNEXPENDED OR UNENCUMBERED AFTER JUNE 1, 2006, THE AMOUNT OF THE UNENCUMBERED OR UNEXPENDED AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE CANCELED AND BE OF NO FURTHER EFFECT. IF BONDS HAVE BEEN ISSUED FOR THE LOAN, THE AMOUNT OF UNEXPENDED OR UNENCUMBERED BOND PROCEEDS SHALL BE DISPOSED OF AS PROVIDED IN § 8-129 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2005.

Approved April 12, 2005.

CHAPTER 18

(Senate Bill 322)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City - Redemption of Ground Rents - Abandoned or Distressed Property

FOR the purpose of establishing that when the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City condemns certain abandoned or distressed property that is subject to a redeemable ground rent, the City becomes the tenant of the ground rent; requiring a tenant seeking to redeem a ground rent on certain abandoned or distressed property subject to condemnation in Baltimore City to pay certain back rent and provide a certain affidavit to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation under certain circumstances; authorizing a landlord of certain property in Baltimore City whose ground rent has been redeemed to