

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1985.

Approved May 21, 1985.

CHAPTER 355

(House Bill 794)

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt - Comprehensive
Flood Management Loan of 1985

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$1,500,000, the proceeds to be used for the Comprehensive Flood Management Grant Program; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That:

(1) The Board of Public Works may borrow money and incur indebtedness on behalf of the State of Maryland through a State loan to be known as the Comprehensive Flood Management Loan of 1985 in the aggregate principal amount of \$1,500,000. This loan shall be evidenced by the issuance and sale of State general obligation bonds authorized by a resolution of the Board of Public Works and issued, sold, and delivered in accordance with §§ 19 to 23 of Article 31 of the Code.

(2) The bonds issued to evidence this loan or installments thereof may be sold as a single issue or may be consolidated and sold as part of a single issue of bonds under § 2B of Article 31 of the Code.

(3) The actual cash proceeds of the sale of the bonds shall be paid to the Treasurer and shall be first applied to the payment of the expenses of issuing and delivering the bonds, unless funds for this purpose are otherwise provided, and thereafter shall be credited on the books of the State Comptroller and expended, upon approval by the Board of Public Works, for the following public purposes, including any applicable architects' and engineers' fees: to provide a fund to the Department of Natural Resources, so that it may make grants under § 8-9A-03(h) of the Natural Resources Article for financing (1) the entire cost of watershed studies approved or conducted by the Department, and (2) up to 50 percent of eligible costs of flood control and watershed management capital projects.