

proposal before publication of a preliminary official statement including the debt.

It is the policy of the General Assembly that the Department's FY 1996 special fund capital expenditures should be reduced by \$75 million. The General Assembly will implement this policy in two steps. First, notwithstanding any other provision of this budget, for Fiscal Year 1996, total special fund expenditures for capital purposes by the Department of Transportation may not exceed \$468,300,000; a reduction of \$45 million from the final Consolidated Transportation Program (CTP). Provided however, that this ceiling may be increased only under the following conditions:

- (1) Due to shifts in project cash flow from Fiscal Year 1995; or
- (2) Unforeseen circumstances, such as market opportunities, which require immediate action by the state; and
- (3) The budget committees are notified in advance of the proposed increase in special fund expenditures for capital purposes and are provided a reasonable time to comment on the proposed increase.

Further provided that the department is directed to conduct an assessment of the current capital program to determine the feasibility of reducing the remaining \$30 million from Fiscal Year 1996 which will be submitted in a report to the budget committees by August 1, 1995. This report must include, but is not limited to, the funding of the parking garage at BWI Airport.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this budget, for fiscal year 1996, total special fund expenditures for capital purposes by the Department of Transportation may not exceed \$438,150,300. Provided however, that this ceiling may be increased only under the following conditions: