

the books of the Comptroller and expended, on approval by the Board of Public Works, for the following public purposes, including any applicable architects' and engineers' fees: as a grant to the Mayor and City Council of Salisbury (referred to hereafter in this Act as "the grantee") for the planning, design, and construction of, and for the provision of capital equipment for, restrooms that comply with the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act adjacent to the current restrooms, and for the repair and renovation of the current restroom facilities to be storage space for the Salisbury Zoological Park.

(4) An annual State tax is imposed 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. The principal shall be discharged within 15 years after the date of issuance of the bonds.

(5) Prior to the payment of any funds under the provisions of this Act for the purposes set forth in Section 1(3) above, the grantee shall provide and expend a matching fund. No part of the grantee's matching fund may be provided, either directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether appropriated or unappropriated. The fund may consist of real property, in kind contributions, or funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act. In case of any dispute as to the amount of the matching fund or what money or assets may qualify as matching funds, the Board of Public Works shall determine the matter and the Board's decision is final. The grantee has until June 1, 1999, 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.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1997.

Approved April 29, 1997.

CHAPTER 299

(House Bill 1397)

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary's County Board of Education - Compensation and Expenses of Members - Funding

FOR the purpose of requiring that the compensation and expenses of the members of the St. Mary's County Board of Education be paid from the St. Mary's County Board of Education Operating Funds; and generally relating to the source of funds for payment of the compensation and expenses of the members of the St. Mary's County Board of Education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,