

SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, with the approval of the Department of Budget and Management, any appropriation under the provisions of this Act that is in excess of the amount needed for a project may be credited to the Construction Contingency Fund under Section 3-609 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

SECTION 8. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, if federal funds are available to help accomplish any project identified in this Act, the State agency or institution responsible for the project shall make efforts through proper administrative procedures to obtain these federal funds. Before spending any funds appropriated by this Act, the agency or institution shall certify its efforts to the Board of Public Works and state the reason for any failure to obtain federal funds. If federal funds are obtained, they shall be used to defray the costs of the project described in this Act, and not to expand its scope.

SECTION 9. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, for any appropriation for planning of a State-owned project provided in this Act, if a program required by Section 3-602(d) of the State Finance and Procurement Article has not been submitted, then the State agency or institution responsible for the project shall submit a program to the Department of Budget and Management for approval before funds may be expended from the appropriation. For any appropriation for construction of a State-owned project provided in this Act, if preliminary plans and outline specifications required by Section 3-602(f)(2)(i) of the State Finance and Procurement Article have not been prepared, then the State agency or institution responsible for the project shall submit preliminary plans and outline specifications to the Department of Budget and Management for approval before funds may be expended from the appropriation.

SECTION 10. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That no portion of the proceeds of a loan or any of the matching funds provided for a project funded under this Act may be used for the furtherance of sectarian religious instruction, or in connection with the design, acquisition, construction, or equipping 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, a recipient of the proceeds of a loan under this Act shall submit evidence satisfactory to the Board that none of the proceeds of the loan or any matching funds has been or is being used for a purpose prohibited by this Act.

SECTION 11. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

(a) the Comptroller may advance funds from any loan fund account to any other loan fund account established pursuant to a general obligation loan enabling act, under the authority of which general obligation bonds have been issued, for any expenditure authorized by such Act.

(b) with the approval of the Board of Public Works, the Comptroller may advance funds to any loan fund account established pursuant to a general obligation loan enabling act, for which an approving legal opinion has been received by the Board, for any expenditure authorized by the Act, provided that the next sale of general obligation bonds shall include the issuance of bonds under the authority of that Act in an amount at least equivalent to the amount of the funds so advanced.