

Senate Bill No. 767

AN ACT concerning

Ward Brothers Homeplace Loan of 1994

FOR the purpose of amending Chapter 185 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1994, the Ward Brothers Homeplace Loan of 1994, to alter the purpose for which the proceeds of the loan are used.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 185 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1994

Section 1

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Chapter 185 of the Acts of 1994

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 Ward Brothers Homeplace Loan of 1994 in a total principal amount equal to the lesser of (i) \$50,000 or (ii) the amount of the matching fund provided in accordance with Section 1(5) below. This loan shall be evidenced by the issuance, sale, and delivery of State general obligation bonds authorized by a resolution of the Board of Public Works and issued, sold, and delivered in accordance with §§ 8-117 through 8-124 of the State Finance and Procurement Article and Article 31, § 22 of the Code.

(2) The bonds to evidence this loan or installments of this loan may be sold as a single issue or may be consolidated and sold as part of a single issue of bonds under § 8-122 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

(3) The cash proceeds of the sale of the bonds shall be paid to the Treasurer and first shall be applied to the payment of the expenses of issuing, selling, and delivering the bonds, unless funds for this purpose are otherwise provided, and then shall be credited on 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 Board of Directors of Ward Brothers Homeplace, Inc. for THE ACQUISITION OF LAND AND OTHER REAL PROPERTY AND the restoration of the Ward Brothers Homeplace at 3199 Sackertown Road in Crisfield, Maryland.

(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 Board of Directors of Ward Brothers