

In case any officer whose signature appears on any bond ceases to be such officer before delivery, the signature shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes as if the officer had remained in office until delivery. The bonds and their issue and sale shall be exempt from the provisions of Sections 9, 10, and 11 of Article 31 of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

If the County determines in the resolution to offer any of the bonds by solicitation of competitive bids at public sale, the resolution shall fix the terms and conditions of the public sale and shall adopt a form of notice of sale, which shall outline the terms and conditions, and a form of advertisement, which shall be published in one or more daily or weekly newspapers having a general circulation in Cecil County and which may also be published in one or more journals having a circulation primarily among banks and investment bankers. At least one publication of the advertisement shall be made not less than 10 days before the sale of bonds.

Upon delivery of any bonds to the purchaser or purchasers, payment shall be made to the Treasurer of Cecil County or such other official of Cecil County as may be designated to receive payment in a resolution adopted by the County before delivery.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the net proceeds of the sale of the bonds shall be used and applied exclusively and solely for the public school facilities for which the bonds are sold. If the net proceeds of the sale of any issue of bonds exceeds the amount needed to finance the public school facilities described in the resolution, the excess funds shall be applied to the payment of the next principal maturity of the bonds or to the redemption of any part of the bonds which have been made redeemable or to the purchase and cancellation of bonds, unless the County in its discretion adopts a resolution allocating the excess funds to the construction, improvement, or development of other public facilities.

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the bonds hereby authorized shall constitute, and they shall so recite, an irrevocable pledge of the full faith and credit and unlimited taxing power of the County to the payment of the maturing principal of and interest on the bonds as and when they become payable. In each and every fiscal year that any of the bonds are outstanding, the County shall levy or cause to be levied ad valorem taxes upon all the assessable property within the corporate limits of Cecil County in rate and amount sufficient to provide for or assume the payment, when due, of the principal of and interest on all the bonds maturing in each such fiscal year and, if the proceeds from the taxes so levied in any fiscal year prove inadequate for such payment, additional taxes shall be levied in the succeeding fiscal year to make up any deficiency. The County may apply to the payment of the principal of and interest on any bonds issued under this Act any funds received by it from the State of Maryland, the United States of America, any agency or instrumentality of either, or from any other source. If such funds are granted for the purpose of assisting the County in financing the construction, improvement, development, or renovation of the public school facilities defined in this Act and, to the extent of any such funds received or receivable in any fiscal year, taxes that might otherwise be required to be levied under this Act may be reduced or need not be levied.

SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the County is hereby further authorized and empowered, at any time and from time to time, to issue its bonds