contributions. The fund may consist of 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, 2002, 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, 2000.

Approved May 18, 2000.

CHAPTER 503

(Senate Bill 106)

AN ACT concerning

Education - Grants for Transportation Services for Public School Students

FOR the purpose of making certain adjustments to the formula for transportation grants to county boards of education; adjusting the time period for calculating increases in the grant amounts; and generally relating to the computation of the grants to provide transportation services to public school students.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Education Section 5-205 Annotated Code of Maryland (1999 Replacement Volume)

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

Article - Education

5-205.

(a) For fiscal year 1993, grants in the following amounts shall be distributed to the county boards to provide transportation services for public school students and handicapped children for whom transportation is to be provided under § 8-410 of this article. Appropriations for student transportation shall be budgeted in a separate budget category as provided in § 5-101 of this article. If the amount that is appropriated to a county under this section in a fiscal year is more than the actual cost of providing student transportation services in that county, a county board or the