

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 658

(House Bill 974)

AN ACT concerning

Ethics - Lobbyists - Disclosure of Business Transactions

FOR the purpose of requiring ~~a regulated lobbyist to file a certain report~~ certain individual regulated lobbyists to file certain reports with the State Ethics Commission disclosing certain business transactions ~~between the regulated lobbyist and~~ involving certain public officials and business entities; providing that this Act may not be construed to apply to specified entities; and generally relating to the disclosure of certain business transactions by individual regulated lobbyists.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - State Government

Section 15-704

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 - State Government

15-704.

(a) (1) A regulated lobbyist shall file with the Ethics Commission, under oath and for each registration, a separate report concerning the regulated lobbyist's lobbying activities: