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.

- (6) (a) Prior to the issuance of the bonds, the grantees shall grant and convey to the Maryland Historical Trust a perpetual preservation easement to the extent of their interest:
- (i) On the land or such portion of the land acceptable to the Trust;
- (ii) On the exterior and interior, where appropriate, of the historic structures.
- (b) The easement must be in form and substance acceptable to the Trust and the extent of the interest to be encumbered must be acceptable to the Trust.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2000.

Approved April 25, 2000.

CHAPTER 202

(House Bill 1437)

AN ACT concerning

Somerset County - Consolidated Public High Schools School - Straw Poll

FOR the purpose of requiring that <u>a</u> certain <u>questions</u> <u>question</u> be placed on the ballot in Somerset County at the November general election of 2000 to determine the sense of the voters of the County on whether to consolidate the high schools in Somerset County; providing for the carrying out of the straw poll; and generally relating to the holding of a straw ballot in Somerset County.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That, under the provisions of Article 33 – Election Code of the Annotated Code of Maryland, the Somerset County Board of Elections, in consultation with the State Board of Elections, shall prepare and include on the ballot for the November general election of 2000 the following questions:

"Somerset County High Schools - Consolidation

Do you favor a proposal for a consolidated public high school?"

"Somerset County High Schools No Consolidation

Are you against a proposal for a consolidated high school?"

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Somerset County Board of Elections and the Somerset County Board of County Commissioners shall do