Finance and Procurement Article are not sufficient to implement the provisions of the Southern Maryland Regional Strategy–Action Plan for Agriculture.

SECTION 8. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That it is the intent of the General Assembly that the $5,000,000 of general obligation bonds authorized in Sections 1 through 6 of this Act not be included as part of the annual general obligation debt limit recommended by the Capital Debt Affordability Committee, in accordance with § 8–112 of the State Finance and Procurement Article, for each of the six years; provided, however, that the bonds may not be issued if issuance will increase the total outstanding State tax–supported debt above 3.2% of personal income.

SECTION ~~7.~~ *9.* AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That ~~it is the intent of the General Assembly that the $5,000,000 of general obligation bonds authorized in Sections 1 through 6 of this Act be included as part of the general obligation debt limit recommended by the Capital Debt Affordability Committee, in accordance with § 8–112 of the State Finance and Procurement Article, for each of the six years. Further,~~ it is the intent of the General Assembly that the Maryland Department of Agriculture develop a repayment schedule, *in consultation with the Treasurer,* to reimburse the General Fund, within eight years of the final issuance of debt authorized under this Act, for the principal and issuance costs of any debt issued. The appropriation from the Cigarette Restitution Fund for implementation of the Southern Maryland Regional Strategy–Action Plan for Agriculture as provided for under § 7–317(f) of the State Finance and Procurement Article shall annually be reduced according to the repayment schedule.

SECTION 10. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That it is the intent of the General Assembly that, in expending the proceeds of bonds authorized by this Act, priority shall be given to the tobacco buyout programs of the Southern Maryland Regional Strategy–Action Plan for Agriculture.

SECTION 11. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Department of Agriculture shall report to the General Assembly on or before October 1 of each year, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on the implementation and effects of the Southern Maryland Regional Strategy–Action Plan for Agriculture, including the use of general obligation bonds authorized by this Act.

SECTION ~~8.~~ *12.* AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 1 of this Act shall take effect June 1, 2003, Section 2 of this Act shall take effect June 1, 2004, Section 3 of this Act shall take effect June 1, 2005, Section 4 of this Act shall take effect June 1, 2006, Section 5 of this Act shall take effect June 1, 2007, and Section 6 of this Act shall take effect June 1, 2008.

SECTION ~~9.~~ *13.* AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as provided in Section ~~8~~ *12* of this Act, this Act shall take effect June 1, 2001.

Approved April 20, 2001.