increased public assistance payments resulting from higher than anticipated caseloads in the Aid to Families with Dependent Children, General Public Assistance, Emergency Assistance, and Foster Care programs, but only if rate levels in effect as of January 1, 1991 are maintained for these programs.

SECTION 21. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That notwithstanding any other provision of law and for fiscal year 1992 only, the Governor may transfer up to \$1,500,000 in general funds from budget program 36.01.02.03 to budget program 36.01.02.04 by approved budget amendment to provide funds for drop—out prevention of children at risk for the fourth—year cohort of the Maryland's Tomorrow Program.

SECTION 22. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That notwithstanding any other provision of law and for fiscal year 1992 only, the Governor may transfer up to \$250,000 in general funds from budget program 36.01.02.03 to budget program 36.01.03.00 by approved amendment to provide funds for the continuation of educational programs for the students of Maryland at the Maryland Academy of Sciences.

SECTION 15. 21. 20. 23. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason in a court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or any other application of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and for this purpose the provisions of this Act are declared severable.

SECTION 4. <u>16.</u> <u>22.</u> <u>21.</u> <u>24.</u> AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act and shall take effect June 1, 1991.

Approved May 24, 1991.

## **CHAPTER 471**

(House Bill 210)

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt - Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 1991, Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 1990, and General Construction Loans of 1977, 1979, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, and 1989

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of Two Hundred Eighty three Million, Five Hundred Five Thousand Dollars Three Hundred Four Million, Nine Hundred Forty Seven Thousand, Eight Hundred Seventy Three Dollars (\$283,505,000) (\$304,947,873) Three Hundred Million, Thirty-Four Thousand, Six Hundred Seventy-Three (\$300,034,673), the proceeds to be used for certain necessary building, construction, demolition, planning, renovation, conversion, replacement and equipment purposes of this State, and for acquiring certain real estate in connection therewith, and for grants to certain subdivisions and other organizations for certain purposes subject to the requirement that the