

(5) Prior to the payment of any funds under the provisions of this Act for the purposes set forth in Section 1(3) above, Health Care for the Homeless, Inc. shall provide a matching fund. No part of an applicant's matching fund may be provided, either directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether appropriated or unappropriated. The fund may consist of real property, in kind contributions, or 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. Health Care for the Homeless, Inc. has until June 1, 1993, 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, 1991.

Approved May 24, 1991.

CHAPTER 586

(House Bill 717)

AN ACT concerning

Women, Infants, and Children Program – Funding

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor of Maryland to include in the State budget a certain amount in State general funds to cover the administrative and food costs of the Women, Infants, and Children Program (WIC); providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to State funding of the WIC Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 18-108

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1990 Replacement Volume and 1990 Supplement)

Preamble

WHEREAS, Maryland has an infant mortality rate higher than the national average; and

WHEREAS, The Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) is the most efficient and effective way to reduce infant mortality; and