

## CHAPTER 643

## (House Bill 1216)

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Echo Hill Outdoor School, Inc.**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt ~~in the amount of~~ not to exceed \$50,000 the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of Echo Hill Outdoor School, Inc. in Kent County for the renovation and repair of existing buildings and facilities and for the construction and equipping of new buildings to be used for environmental-educational and environmental-recreational programs of the school, subject to the requirement that the Board of Directors of Echo Hill Outdoor School, Inc. provide a matching fund of a certain kind and amount for the same purpose by a certain date; and providing generally for the issue and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That:

(1) The Board of Public Works may borrow money and incur indebtedness on behalf of the State of Maryland through a State loan to be known as the Echo Hill Outdoor School, Inc. Loan of 1991 in the total principal amount ~~of \$50,000 equal to the lesser of (i) \$50,000 or (ii) the amount of the matching fund as provided in accordance with Section 1(5) below.~~ This loan shall be evidenced by the issuance, sale, and delivery of State general obligation bonds authorized by a resolution of the Board of Public Works and issued, sold, and delivered in accordance with §§ 8-117 through 8-124 of the State Finance and Procurement Article and Article 31, § 22 of the Code.

(2) The bonds to evidence this loan or installments of this loan may be sold as a single issue, or may be consolidated and sold as part of a single issue of bonds under § 8-122 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

(3) The cash proceeds of the sale of the bonds shall be paid to the Treasurer and first shall be applied to the payment of the expenses of issuing, selling, and delivering the bonds, unless funds for this purpose are otherwise provided, and then shall be credited on the books of the Comptroller and expended, on approval by the Board of Public Works, for the following public purposes, including any applicable architects' and engineers' fees: as a grant to the Board of Directors of Echo Hill Outdoor School, Inc. in Kent County for the renovation and repair of existing buildings and facilities and for the construction and equipping of new buildings to be used for environmental-educational and environmental-recreational programs of the school.

(4) An annual State tax is imposed on all assessable property in the State in rate and amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds, as and when due and until paid in full. The principal shall be discharged within 15 years after the date of issue of the bonds.