- (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.
- (5) Prior to the payment of any funds under the provisions of this Act for the purposes set forth in Section 1(3) above, the County Commissioners of Dorchester County [shall provide at least an equal and] shall provide [at least an equal and] A matching fund of at least [\$5,000,000] \$4,438,000. No part of an applicant's matching fund may be provided, either directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether appropriated or unappropriated. No part of the fund may consist of real property, in kind contributions, or funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act. OR IN KIND CONTRIBUTIONS. THE FUND MAY CONSIST OF FUNDS EXPENDED PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT. In case of any dispute as to 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. The County Commissioners of Dorchester County have until June 1, [1990] 1993 1990, to present evidence satisfactory to the Board of Public Works that the matching fund will be provided. If satisfactory evidence is presented, the Board shall certify this fact to the State Treasurer and the proceeds of the loan shall be expended for the purposes provided in this Act. If this evidence is not presented by June 1, [1990] 1993 1990, the proceeds of the loan shall be applied to the purposes authorized in § 8-129 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1992.

Approved May 12, 1992.

CHAPTER 264

(Senate Bill 588)

AN ACT concerning

Office for Children, Youth, and Families - Children with Disabilities Special Needs - Out-of-State Placement

FOR the purpose of establishing a policy for providing services in the State to children with disabilities special needs and in the least restrictive environment; providing for the development of a plan to return children in out-of-state residential placement to placement within the State; establishing dates for compliance; providing duties for the Office for Children, Youth, and Families; providing certain specifics to be included in the plan; instructing the Office for Children, Youth, and Families to work with certain individuals and agencies providing for the appointment of a certain committee for a certain purpose; requiring the committee to consult with certain persons; permitting certain out-of-state placements prior to the development of a certain plan under certain circumstances; establishing certain circumstances when a child may be placed out of state; providing that a child served