

the matching fund, the grantee is responsible for ~~\$1,000,000~~ \$100,000 and the County Executive and County Council of Harford County are responsible for ~~\$2,000,000~~ \$100,000. No part of the matching fund may consist of funds that have been acquired, either directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether appropriated or unappropriated. No part of the matching 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. The grantee and the County Executive and County Council of Harford County have until ~~September~~ October 1, 1998, to present evidence satisfactory to the Board of Public Works that a matching fund will be provided.

(b) If satisfactory evidence is presented that the requirements of paragraph (a) of this subsection have been met, the Board shall certify ~~this fact~~ these facts 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, 1998.

Approved April 28, 1998.

CHAPTER 159

(Senate Bill 247)

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt - Baltimore County - Benjamin Banneker Historic Park

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt ~~not to exceed~~ in the amount of \$750,000 ~~\$300,000~~ \$1,350,000, the proceeds to be used for a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Baltimore County for certain acquisition, development, or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds; ~~subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund~~; requiring the grantee to convey a historic easement to the Maryland Historical Trust; and providing generally for the issuance 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 Baltimore County - Benjamin Banneker Historic Park Loan of 1998 in ~~a total principal amount~~