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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

142nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE BILL NO. 324

AN ACT TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2004 BOND AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ACT AND TO AMEND TITLE 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND NOTES OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

1 Section 1. Amend Chapter 69, Volume 74, Laws of Delaware by adding a new Section 116 to read as follows:

2 “Section 116. Community Redevelopment Fund Match. Notwithstanding the provisions of §6101A(i)(3), Title 29 of  
3 the Delaware Code, any Community Redevelopment Fund award to the Hockessin Historical Society-for Tweed’s Tavern shall  
4 not require a local match.”

5 Section 2. Amend Chapter 69, Volume 74, Laws of Delaware by amending Page A-6 of the Section 1 Addendum by  
6 deleting the phrase “Cape Henlopen, 6 Classroom Add. to Rt 24 High” as it appears therein and inserting in lieu thereof the  
7 phrase “Cape Henlopen, 6 Classroom Add. to Mariner Middle School, Route 5”.

8 Further amend Chapter 69, Volume 74, Laws of Delaware by deleting the phrase “Cape Henlopen, 6 Classroom Add.  
9 to Rt 24 School” as it appears on line 15, page 13 and inserting in lieu thereof the phrase “Cape Henlopen, 6 Classroom Add.  
10 to Mariner Middle School, Route 5”.

11 Section 3. Amend Chapter 69, Volume 74, Laws of Delaware by adding a new Section 117 to read as follows:

12 “Section 117. Community Redevelopment Fund Transfer. The Section 1 Addendum to this Act appropriates  
13 \$3,670,000 to the Community Redevelopment Fund. Of this amount, \$25,000 shall be allocated to the City of New Castle  
14 Public Library and expended pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 66A, Title 29 of the Delaware Code.”

15 Section 4. Amend Chapter 69, Volume 74, Laws of Delaware by adding a new Section 118 to read as follows:

16           “Section 118. Community Redevelopment Fund Transfer. The Section 1 Addendum to this Act appropriates  
17 \$3,670,000 to the Community Redevelopment Fund. Of this amount, \$50,000 shall be transferred to the Delaware Economic  
18 Development Office for an option to purchase land for future use by the Delaware Art Museum. Expenditure of these funds  
19 shall not be subject to the provisions of §6102A(i), Title 29 of the Delaware Code.”

20           Section 5. Amend Chapter 69, Volume 74, Laws of Delaware by adding a new Section 119 to read as follows:

21           “Section 119. New Castle County Vo-Tech New High School. The New Castle County Vo-Tech School District is  
22 authorized to proceed to bid no sooner than February 2004 to construct a 1,000 pupil high school at a cost not to exceed  
23 \$43,000,000 (\$23,510,800 State and \$19,489,200 local). These funds for construction are being authorized due to delays in  
24 siting the facility which were outside the control of the district, construction contingencies mandated by the local community  
25 and student population growth. The district shall be authorized to use Division III Equalization funds up to the following  
26 amounts in the following years:

27	Fiscal Year 2005	\$ 1,500,000
28	Fiscal Year 2006	\$ 1,500,000
29	Fiscal Year 2007	\$ 415,300”

30           Section 6. Amend §7414, Title 29 of the Delaware Code by deleting subsection (a) thereof in its entirety and  
31 substituting the following:

32           “(a) All proceeds from the sale of bonds or notes other than premium or accrued interest shall be deposited by the  
33 State Treasurer in a special fund or funds of the State and applied for the purposes for which such bonds or notes were issued  
34 or as otherwise provided by law. All proceeds from the sale of revenue notes and all accrued interest from the sale of bonds, or  
35 revenue notes shall be deposited by the State Treasurer in the General Fund. Any premium from bonds or revenue notes sold  
36 after January 1, 2004 (including any such premium previously deposited in the General Fund) shall, at the discretion of the  
37 Budget Director, Controller General and the Secretary of Finance: (i) be deposited in a special fund of the State and applied for  
38 the purposes for which such bonds or notes were issued or as otherwise provided by law; or (ii) be deposited in any escrow  
39 fund to redeem, refund or, defease debt service on existing bonds or notes of the State. In the event that a deposit is made  
40 pursuant to clause (i) above, bond authorization shall be reduced by a corresponding amount. Under no circumstances shall  
41 any proceeds, premium or accrued interest be applied to pay the costs of any project not authorized by the General Assembly.”

42           Section 6. If any section, part, phrase, or provision of this Act or the application thereof be held invalid by any court  
43 of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall be confined in its operation to the section, part, phrase, provision, or application

44 directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered and shall not affect or impair the validity  
45 of the remainder if this Act or the application thereof.

#### SYNOPSIS

This Act specifies certain conditions and amends certain statutory provisions detailed in the Fiscal Year 2004 Bond and Capital Improvement Act.