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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 1450 (Delegate Walker)
Appropriations

**Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2012 - Prince George's County -
Southern Area Indoor Aquatic Center**

This bill extends the deadline – from June 1, 2014, to June 1, 2015, – for the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC), as grantee, to present evidence that matching funds will be provided for the Southern Area Indoor Aquatic Center project, as required by the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2012. The bill also changes the project location from Riverdale to Fort Washington.

The bill takes effect June 1, 2014.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The bill does not affect State operations or finances.

Local Effect: Absent the bill, M-NCPPC may lose access to \$100,000 in funds.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Chapter 444 of 2012 (the fiscal 2013 capital budget) authorized two separate grants for up to \$100,000 in matching funds to M-NCPPC for the design and construction of the Southern Area Indoor Aquatic Center project, located in Riverdale. Matching funds may not consist of real property, in-kind contributions, or funds expended prior to the June 1, 2012 effective date of Chapter 444. The grantee has until June 1, 2014, to present evidence that a matching fund will be provided; however, the proceeds of the loan must be expended or encumbered by the Board of Public Works by

December 1, 2015. If any funds remain unexpended or unencumbered after December 1, 2015, the amount of the unexpended or unencumbered authorizations must be cancelled.

Background: The original 2012 bond bill fact sheet was for the construction of a sports complex, to be located in Fort Washington. The complex will feature an “aquatic addition” that that will accommodate lap lanes and splash features. Multiple fitness areas, a computer room, an environmental science learning room, and meeting rooms are among the complex’s other features.

The grantee advises that the original authorization mistakenly placed the project location in Riverdale (which is where M-NCPPC’s general counsel is located); however, the project’s proper location is Fort Washington. The grantee advises that, as a result, the project has been delayed but will be able to proceed once the project location is changed.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: SB 1077 (Senator Muse) – Budget and Taxation.

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