

HOUSE BILL 1162

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By: **Washington County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: February 23, 2015

Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Washington County – Tax Increment Financing – Application of Bond Proceeds**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing Washington County to use the proceeds from the issuance
4 of certain bonds for certain purposes; and generally relating to the application of
5 proceeds from certain bonds issued by the County Commissioners of Washington
6 County.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
8 Article – Economic Development
9 Section 12–201(i) and (n), 12–204(a), and 12–207(a)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

12 BY adding to
13 Article – Economic Development
14 Section 12–207(f)
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
18 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Economic Development

20 12–201.

21 (i) “Issuer” means a political subdivision or the revenue authority of Prince
22 George’s County that issues a bond under this subtitle.

23 (n) “Political subdivision” means a county or a municipal corporation.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 12-204.

2 (a) Notwithstanding any limitation of law, an issuer may issue bonds from time
3 to time to finance the development of an industrial, commercial, or residential area.

4 12-207.

5 (a) Except as provided in subsections (b) and (e) of this section, bond proceeds
6 may be used only:

7 (1) to buy, lease, condemn, or otherwise acquire property, or an interest in
8 property:

9 (i) in the development district, a RISE zone, or a sustainable
10 community; or

11 (ii) needed for a right-of-way or other easement to or from the
12 development district, a RISE zone, or a sustainable community;

13 (2) for site removal;

14 (3) for surveys and studies;

15 (4) to relocate businesses or residents;

16 (5) to install utilities, construct parks and playgrounds, and for other
17 needed improvements including:

18 (i) roads to, from, or in the development district;

19 (ii) parking; and

20 (iii) lighting;

21 (6) to construct or rehabilitate buildings for a governmental purpose or use;

22 (7) for reserves or capitalized interest;

23 (8) for necessary costs to issue bonds; and

24 (9) to pay the principal of and interest on loans, advances, or indebtedness
25 that a political subdivision incurs for a purpose specified in this section.

26 **(F) IN ADDITION TO THE PURPOSES LISTED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS**
27 **SECTION, THE PROCEEDS FROM BONDS ISSUED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**
28 **OF WASHINGTON COUNTY MAY BE USED FOR:**

1 **(1) DEMOLITION OR SITE REMOVAL, INCLUDING ON PROPERTY THAT**
2 **IS PRIVATELY OWNED AND INTENDED TO REMAIN PRIVATELY OWNED;**

3 **(2) PEDESTRIAN OR VEHICULAR BRIDGES OR OVERPASSES,**
4 **INCLUDING RAILROAD CROSSINGS AND RELATED IMPROVEMENTS; OR**

5 **(3) PARKING LOTS, FACILITIES, OR STRUCTURES OF ANY TYPE,**
6 **WHETHER:**

7 **(I) PUBLICLY OR PRIVATELY OWNED; OR**

8 **(II) AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC OR PRIVATE USE.**

9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
10 October 1, 2015.