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1 AN ACT concerning finance.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The General Obligation Bond Act is amended by changing Section 2 as follows:
- 6 (30 ILCS 330/2) (from Ch. 127, par. 652)
- Sec. 2. Authorization for Bonds. The State of Illinois is authorized to issue, sell and provide for the retirement of General Obligation Bonds of the State of Illinois for the categories and specific purposes expressed in Sections 2 through 8 of this Act, in the total amount of \$27,658,149,368 \$27,658,149,369.
- The bonds authorized in this Section 2 and in Section 16 of this Act are herein called "Bonds".
- Of the total amount of Bonds authorized in this Act, up to \$2,200,000,000 in aggregate original principal amount may be issued and sold in accordance with the Baccalaureate Savings Act in the form of General Obligation College Savings Bonds.
 - Of the total amount of Bonds authorized in this Act, up to \$300,000,000 in aggregate original principal amount may be issued and sold in accordance with the Retirement Savings Act in the form of General Obligation Retirement Savings Bonds.
 - Of the total amount of Bonds authorized in this Act, the additional \$10,000,000,000 authorized by this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly shall be used solely as provided in Section 7.2.
- The issuance and sale of Bonds pursuant to the General Obligation Bond Act is an economical and efficient method of financing the capital and general operating needs of the State.

 This Act will permit the issuance of a multi-purpose General Obligation Bond with uniform terms and features. This will not only lower the cost of registration but also reduce the overall

- 1 cost of issuing debt by improving the marketability of Illinois
- 2 General Obligation Bonds.
- 3 (Source: P.A. 92-13, eff. 6-22-01; 92-596, eff. 6-28-02;
- 4 92-598, eff. 6-28-02; 93-2, eff. 4-7-03.)
- 5 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,
- 6 2004.