SENATE BILL 802

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By: **Senator Reilly and Anne Arundel County Senators** Introduced and read first time: February 3, 2020 Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

Property Tax – Exemption – Maryland Farm Bureau, Inc.

- FOR the purpose of exempting from the property tax property that is owned by the
 Maryland Farm Bureau, Inc., and used exclusively for certain purposes; providing
 for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a property tax exemption for
 property owned by the Maryland Farm Bureau, Inc.
- 7 BY adding to
- 8 Article Tax Property
- 9 Section 7–246
- 10 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 11 (2019 Replacement Volume)
- SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
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Article – Tax – Property

15 **7–246.**

16 PROPERTY IS NOT SUBJECT TO PROPERTY TAX IF THE PROPERTY	IS:
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- 17 (1) OWNED BY THE MARYLAND FARM BUREAU, INC.; AND
- 18 (2) USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR:
 - (I) THE AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC;
- 20 (II) AIDING AND ENCOURAGING AGRICULTURE IN THE STATE;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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1(III) ASSISTING IN THE COLLECTION, ANALYSIS, AND2DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION RELATING TO AGRICULTURE; OR

3 (IV) THE MAINTENANCE OF A NATURAL OR RECREATIONAL AREA 4 FOR PUBLIC USE.

5 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 6 1, 2020, and shall be applicable to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2020.