

## Chapter 595

**(House Bill 602)**

AN ACT concerning

**Board of Public Works – ~~Sotterley Plantation~~ *Historic Sotterley* – Operating Grant**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor, for certain fiscal years, to include a certain amount in the annual budget bill for the Board of Public Works to provide an operating grant to be used for certain purposes related to ~~Sotterley Plantation~~ *Historic Sotterley*; and generally relating to operating grants for ~~Sotterley Plantation~~ *Historic Sotterley*.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
That:

(a) Subject to subsections (b) and (c) of this section, ~~for fiscal years 2024, 2025, and 2026,~~ the Governor shall include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$500,000 for the Board of Public Works to provide an operating grant to the Board of Trustees of the Historic Sotterley, Inc., for the design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and general operations and expenses of ~~Sotterley Plantation~~ *Historic Sotterley*, located in Hollywood, in the following amounts for the following years:

- (1) \$350,000 for fiscal year 2024;
- (2) \$375,000 for fiscal year 2025; and
- (3) \$400,000 for fiscal year 2026.

(b) The money included in an appropriation required under subsection (a) of this section shall be expended by the Board of Public Works as a grant to the grantee.

(c) (1) All money included in an appropriation required under subsection (a) of this section must be expended for the purposes provided by June 30, 2026.

(2) If money included in an appropriation required under subsection (a) of this section remains in the custody of the Board of Public Works on June 30, 2026, the Board shall transfer the money to the Board of Trustees of the Historic Sotterley, Inc., and report the status of the money to the General Assembly in accordance with § 2–1257 of the State Government Article.

(d) On or before June 30 each year, the Board of Public Works shall, in accordance with § 2–1257 of the State Government Article, report to the General Assembly on the grant required under subsection (a) of this section.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2022. It shall remain effective for a period of 4 years and 1 month and, at the end of June 30, 2026, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

**Enacted under Article II, § 17(c) of the Maryland Constitution, May 29, 2022.**