

SENATE BILL 257

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CF HB 267

By: **Senators Kasemeyer ~~and Guzzone~~, Guzzone, and Manno**

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Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Program Open Space – Authorized Transfer to the Maryland Heritage Areas**
3 **Authority Financing Fund – Increase**

4 FOR the purpose of increasing the maximum amount that may be transferred, in the State
5 budget or through a certain budget amendment process, to the Maryland Heritage
6 Areas Authority Financing Fund from certain funds that are distributed to Program
7 Open Space; requiring that, if more than a certain amount of funding is transferred
8 to the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority Fund in accordance with this Act, a
9 certain amount of the funding be provided from the State's share of funds; and
10 generally relating to an authorization to transfer certain funds distributed to
11 Program Open Space to the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority Financing Fund.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article – Natural Resources
14 Section 5–903(a)(1)
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

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

19 **Article – Natural Resources**

20 5–903.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 (a) (1) **(I) ~~OF~~ SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH,**
 2 **OF** the funds distributed to Program Open Space under § 13–209 of the Tax – Property
 3 Article, up to **[\$3,000,000] \$6,000,000** may be transferred by an appropriation in the State
 4 budget, or by an amendment to the State budget under Title 7, Subtitle 2 of the State
 5 Finance and Procurement Article, to the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority Financing
 6 Fund established under Title 13, Subtitle 11 of the Financial Institutions Article to be used
 7 for the purposes provided in that subtitle.

8 **(II) IF THE AMOUNT TRANSFERRED IN ACCORDANCE WITH**
 9 **SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH EXCEEDS \$3,000,000, THE AMOUNT**
 10 **EXCEEDING \$3,000,000 SHALL BE PROVIDED FROM THE STATE’S SHARE OF FUNDS.**

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
 12 1, 2017.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.