

# SENATE BILL 692

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By: **Senator Young**

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Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Planning – Preservation of Agricultural Land – Goal**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing a State goal of preserving a certain amount of productive  
4 agricultural land by a certain year through certain programs; and generally relating  
5 to the preservation of agricultural land.

6 BY adding to

7 Article – State Finance and Procurement

8 Section 5–7A–03

9 Annotated Code of Maryland

10 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)

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

13 **Article – State Finance and Procurement**

14 **5–7A–03.**

15 **THE STATE HAS A GOAL OF PRESERVING A TOTAL OF 1,030,000 ACRES OF**  
16 **PRODUCTIVE AGRICULTURAL LAND BY 2030 THROUGH:**

17 **(1) THE MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION**  
18 **FOUNDATION;**

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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           **(2) THE MARYLAND GREENPRINT PROGRAM;**
- 2           **(3) THE RURAL LEGACY PROGRAM;**
- 3           **(4) THE NEXT GENERATION FARMLAND ACQUISITION PROGRAM;**
- 4           ~~**(4)**~~ **(5) THE MARYLAND ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST; AND**
- 5           ~~**(5)**~~ **(6) LOCAL LAND PRESERVATION PROGRAMS.**

6           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
 7           October 1, 2021.

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.