SENATE BILL 616

B1, P1 4lr1655**CF HB 688** By: Senator Guzzone Introduced and read first time: January 26, 2024 Assigned to: Budget and Taxation Committee Report: Favorable Senate action: Adopted Read second time: February 10, 2024 CHAPTER AN ACT concerning Maryland Historical Trust - Historical and Cultural Museum Assistance **Program - Funding** FOR the purpose of authorizing the Governor to include a certain appropriation in the annual budget bill to the Maryland Historical Trust to be used to provide grants to museums under the Historical and Cultural Museum Assistance Program; and generally relating to funding for the Historical and Cultural Museum Assistance Program. BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments. Article – State Finance and Procurement Section 5A-352, 5A-353(a) and (b), 5A-354 through 5A-356, and 5A-358 Annotated Code of Maryland (2021 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement) BY adding to Article – State Finance and Procurement Section 5A–360 Annotated Code of Maryland (2021 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement) SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: Article - State Finance and Procurement

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

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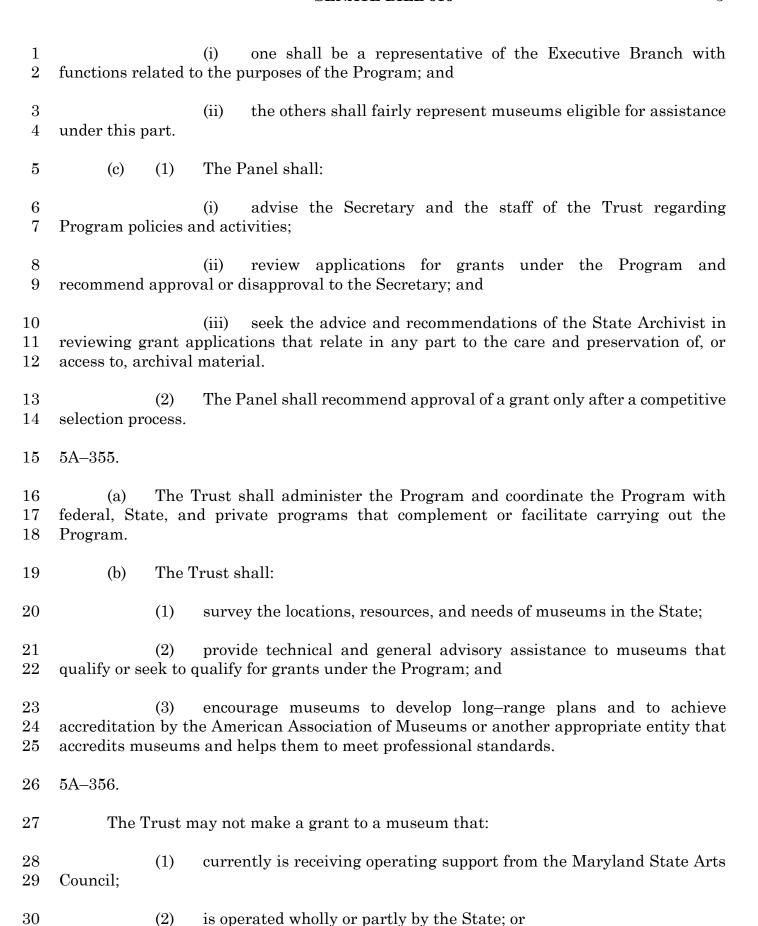
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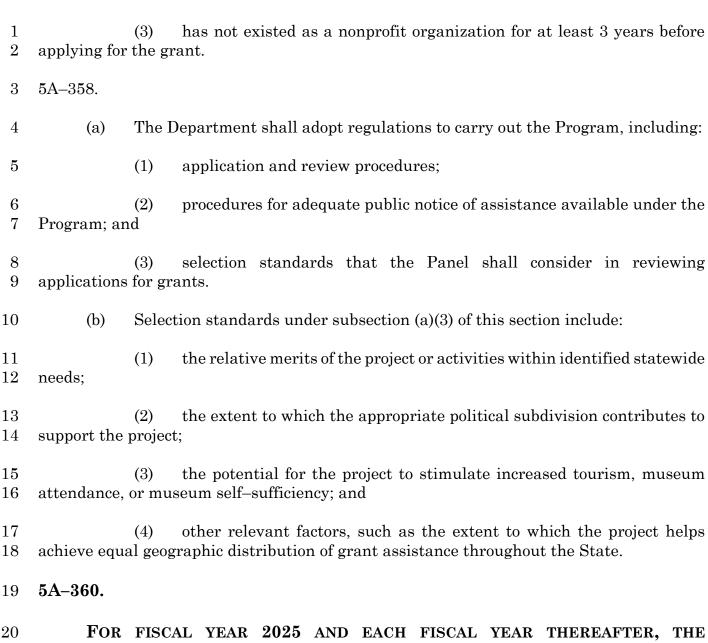
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1	5A-352.
2	There is a Historical and Cultural Museum Assistance Program of the Trust.
3	5A-353.
4 5	(a) The purpose of the Program is to provide political subdivisions and nonprofit organizations with financial assistance for museums.
6 7	(b) The Program shall make grants from the MHT Grant Fund under § 5A–328 of this subtitle to political subdivisions and nonprofit organizations for use by museums for
8	(1) research related to collections, exhibits, or other educational activities
9	(2) the care, conservation, interpretation, and documentation of collections
10	(3) the planning, design, and construction of exhibits;
11	(4) educational programs and projects;
12 13 14	(5) the development of master plans for museums, including activities required to achieve accreditation by the American Association of Museums or another appropriate entity;
15	(6) minor structural modifications to existing museum facilities;
16 17 18	(7) the development of plans and specifications and the provision of architectural, engineering, or other special services directly related to the construction or rehabilitation of museum facilities; or
19 20	(8) operating support for any museum—related activity, including activities described in items (1) through (7) of this subsection.
21	5A-354.
22	(a) There is a Museum Assistance Review Panel in the Program.
23	(b) (1) The Panel shall include as members:
24	(i) the President of the Senate or the President's designee; and
25	(ii) the Speaker of the House of Delegates or the Speaker's designee
26	(2) The Secretary shall appoint the other members of the Panel.
27	(3) Of the members that the Secretary appoints:





- FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE GOVERNOR MAY INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN APPROPRIATION OF \$5,000,000 TO THE TRUST TO FUND GRANTS UNDER THE PROGRAM.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2024.