

# GREAT MARYLAND OUTDOORS ACT

House Bill 727 - Senate Bill 541  
Delegate Eric Luedtke & Senator Sarah Elfreth

The Great Maryland Outdoors Act will facilitate the development of a world-class State Park system in Maryland by making long overdue investments in staffing, maintenance, land acquisition, and more!

## Relieves overcrowding in State Parks

Provides **\$30 million** for Land Acquisition to relieve overcrowding in State Parks that frequently reach capacity & creates new opportunities to expand access for all Marylanders



## Reverses decades of underfunding for our State Park system

Provides **\$70 million** for conservation projects, historic preservation, transportation improvements, and increasing access to water in State Parks

## Repairs and upgrades Critical State Park Infrastructure

Provides **\$80 million** for: Picnic areas, campgrounds, cabins, visitor centers, playgrounds, pavilions, beaches, bathhouses, roads, parking lots, nature centers, marinas, and more!



## Adds 100 Park Rangers, Technicians, Naturalists & Historians

## Establishes the Parks and Recreation Commission

Provides continuous and enduring support to the Maryland Park Service and facilitates effective and regular communication with the General Assembly



## Creates Freedman's State Historical Park

Preserves and interprets the lives of Black Americans before and after the Abolition of Slavery

## Develops a long-term approach and strategy to expanding and improving the State Park System



## Stimulates more than \$650 million of economic impact in Maryland Communities



## Acknowledges the role, dedication, and value of Maryland's iconic State Park Rangers

Formally recognizes the role of State Park Rangers in public safety and resource protection by designating them as Emergency Services Personnel