

# SENATE BILL 1094

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

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Lakes Protection and Restoration Fund – ~~Alteration and~~ Extension**

3 FOR the purpose of ~~altering the amount of a certain appropriation the Governor is required~~  
4 ~~to make to the State Lakes Protection and Restoration Fund;~~ extending the  
5 termination date applicable to certain provisions relating to the purpose, use, and  
6 funding of the State Lakes Protection and Restoration Fund; and generally relating  
7 to the State Lakes Protection and Restoration Fund.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, ~~with~~ without amendments,  
9 Article – Natural Resources  
10 Section 8–205  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (2023 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
14 Chapter 698 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2018, as amended by Chapter 39  
15 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2022  
16 Section 3

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**

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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 8–205.

2 (a) In this section, “Fund” means the State Lakes Protection and Restoration  
3 Fund.

4 (b) There is a State Lakes Protection and Restoration Fund.

5 (c) The purpose of the Fund is to protect and restore State–owned or  
6 State–managed lakes by:

7 (1) Removing sediment;

8 (2) Treating contaminated sediment;

9 (3) Preventing the spread of invasive species;

10 (4) Improving ecological and recreational value; and

11 (5) Taking any other action the Department determines is necessary.

12 (d) The Secretary shall administer the Fund.

13 (e) (1) The Fund is a special, nonlapsing fund that is not subject to § 7–302 of  
14 the State Finance and Procurement Article.

15 (2) The State Treasurer shall hold the Fund separately, and the  
16 Comptroller shall account for the Fund.

17 (f) The Fund consists of:

18 (1) Money appropriated in the State budget to the Fund; and

19 (2) Any other money from any other source accepted for the benefit of the  
20 Fund.

21 (g) The Fund may be used only for the protection or restoration of State–owned  
22 or State–managed lakes by:

23 (1) Removing sediment;

24 (2) Treating contaminated sediment;

25 (3) Preventing the spread of invasive species;

26 (4) Improving ecological and recreational value; and

1 (5) Taking any other action the Department determines is necessary.

2 (h) (1) The State Treasurer shall invest the money of the Fund in the same  
3 manner as other State money may be invested.

4 (2) Any interest earnings of the Fund shall be credited to the Fund.

5 (i) Expenditures from the Fund may be made only in accordance with the State  
6 budget.

7 (j) Money expended from the Fund for the protection or restoration of  
8 State-owned or State-managed lakes is supplemental to and is not intended to take the  
9 place of funding that would otherwise be appropriated for the protection or restoration of  
10 State-owned or State-managed lakes.

11 (k) ~~(1)~~ For fiscal ~~[year]~~ ~~YEARS~~ 2020 ~~[and each fiscal year thereafter]~~  
12 ~~THROUGH 2025~~, the Governor shall include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of  
13 \$1,000,000 to the Fund.

14 ~~(2) FOR FISCAL YEARS 2026 AND 2027, THE GOVERNOR SHALL~~  
15 ~~INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN APPROPRIATION OF \$2,000,000 TO THE~~  
16 ~~FUND.~~

17 **Chapter 698 of the Acts of 2018, as amended by Chapter 39 of the Acts of 2022**

18 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
19 1, 2018. It shall remain effective for a period of [7] 9 years and, at the end of June 30,  
20 [2025] 2027, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be  
21 abrogated and of no further force and effect.

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
23 October 1, 2024.

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.