

Department of Planning and Budget 2019 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB2406

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. **Patron:** Adams, L.R.

3. **Committee:** Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources

4. **Title:** Historical African American cemeteries; City of Martinsville.

5. **Summary:** This bill adds four cemeteries in Martinsville to the list of cemeteries for which qualified organizations may receive funds from the Department of Historic Resources (DHR) for the care of historical African American cemeteries and graves. The cemeteries are the Bannister Cemetery, which contains three eligible graves; the Matthews Cemetery, which contains 518 eligible graves; the People's Cemetery, which contains 204 eligible graves; and the Smith Street Cemetery, which contains 158 eligible graves.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes, Item 374, HB1700/SB1100.

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary, see item 8.

7a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2019	N/A	N/A	N/A
2020	\$4,415	0	General Fund
2021	\$4,415	0	General Fund
2022	\$4,415	0	General Fund
2023	\$4,415	0	General Fund
2024	\$4,415	0	General Fund
2025	\$4,415	0	General Fund

8. **Fiscal Implications:** This bill specifically lists the Bannister Cemetery, the Matthews Cemetery, the People's Cemetery and the Smith Street Cemetery, with a combined total of 883 eligible graves. Based on the number of graves and the \$5.00 minimal payment for each, the estimated fiscal impact to the general fund would be at least \$4,415 per year. The fiscal impact of providing funding equal to the average actual cost of routine maintenance is indeterminate. Budget language in paragraphs J.1 and 2 of Item 374 in HB1700/SB1100, as Introduced, references funding for the support of the preservation and care of historical African American graves.

9. **Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Historic Resources.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: HB1973, HB2311, and SB1128 also add cemeteries to the list of cemeteries for which a qualified organization may receive funds from DHR.

11. Other Comments: No.