

Department of Planning and Budget 2023 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB2244

House of Origin ☐ Introduced ☒ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron: Cordoza

3. Committee: Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources

4. Title: Department of Historic Resources; appropriations for African American cemeteries and graves.

5. Summary: Requires appropriations by the Department of Historic Resources for African American cemeteries to be allocated on the bases of both (i) the number of markers in a cemetery of African Americans who were born alive prior to January 1, 1900, regardless of the date of interment, and (ii) the number of markers in a cemetery of African Americans who were born on or after January 1, 1900, and interred in such cemetery prior to January 1, 1948. Under current law, such appropriations are allocated on the basis of the number of markers in a cemetery of African Americans who were interred in such cemetery prior to January 1, 1948.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See Item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: The fiscal impact of this bill is indeterminate at this time, but it is anticipated that any additional expenditures can be absorbed within existing resources. The Appropriation Act contains \$250,000 in each year from the general fund to support the preservation and care of historical African American graves and cemeteries, and the current cash balance in the Historical African American Cemeteries and Graves Fund is \$114,666.

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: This bill is similar to SB1062.