

## CHAPTER 215.

AN ACT to incorporate the Maryland State Horticultural Society and to appropriate a sum of money therefor.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the members of the Maryland State Horticultural Society be and they are hereby incorporated under the name and style of "The Maryland State Horticultural Society," and by that name shall have perpetual succession, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any court of law or equity whatsoever, and may have and use a common seal, and the same alter at pleasure.

Md. State  
Horticultural  
Society.  
Incorporated.

SEC. 2. The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by an executive board, consisting of the president, first vice-president and secretary of the society, the president of the Western Maryland Horticultural Society, and the president or first vice-president, representing the State of Maryland, as the case may be, of the Peninsula Horticultural Society, and that said officers now elect shall be the first members of the executive board created by this Act, and shall hold their offices until their successors are duly elected in conformity with the respective constitutions of said societies.

Management  
of the  
corporation.

SEC. 3. The said executive board shall have sole care and disposal of all funds appropriated by the Legislature of Maryland for the Maryland State Horticultural Society, and shall expend the same in such manner as will, in their judgment, best promote the development of the horticultural interests of the State of Maryland. They shall render annually to the Governor of the State a detailed statement of all funds received from the State and all other sources, and also of all expenditures made by them and the specific objects for which said sums were expended. They shall make no appropriation unless they have funds on hand to meet the same. The members of said board shall be jointly and severally liable for the payment of any debt created by the board in the absence of funds in the treasury to meet such obligation; nor in any event shall any debt be contracted except by the concurrent vote of the members of said board, which number shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Care and  
disposal of  
funds.  
Members of  
board liable  
for debt.

SEC. 4. The executive board shall, through the secretary of the society, render to the Governor of the State an annual report of its transactions, published at the expense of the society, which publication shall include the annual reports of the State Entomologist and State Pathologist, together with

Annual report  
to the  
Governor  
of the State.