

2-1301.

(A) IN THIS SUBTITLE, "PROGRAM" MEANS THE MARYLAND ~~NATIVE PLANTS~~ WILD POLLINATORS PROGRAM.

(B) ~~THERE~~ SUBJECT TO FUNDING IN THE STATE BUDGET, THERE IS A MARYLAND ~~NATIVE PLANTS~~ WILD POLLINATORS PROGRAM WHICH IS ESTABLISHED IN THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCREASING ~~THE AVAILABILITY OF SEED AND NURSERY STOCK FOR NATIVE~~ AWARENESS OF WILD POLLINATORS AND THE AVAILABILITY OF NONINVASIVE PLANTS THAT ARE POLLINATOR FRIENDLY.

(C) UNDER THE PROGRAM, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL:

(1) INCREASE AWARENESS AMONG NURSERIES AND LAND MANAGERS OF ~~NATIVE PLANTS~~ NONINVASIVE PLANTS THAT ARE POLLINATOR FRIENDLY; AND

(2) PROVIDE GRANTS TO INCREASE THE AVAILABILITY OF SEED AND NURSERY STOCK FOR ~~NATIVE PLANTS~~ NONINVASIVE PLANTS THAT ARE POLLINATOR FRIENDLY.

~~(D) THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL STATE BUDGET FOR EACH FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING WITH FISCAL YEAR 2010 AN APPROPRIATION OF \$150,000 FOR THE PROGRAM.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2008. It shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and, at the end of September 30, 2010, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved by the Governor, April 24, 2008.

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## CHAPTER 174

(House Bill 208)

AN ACT concerning