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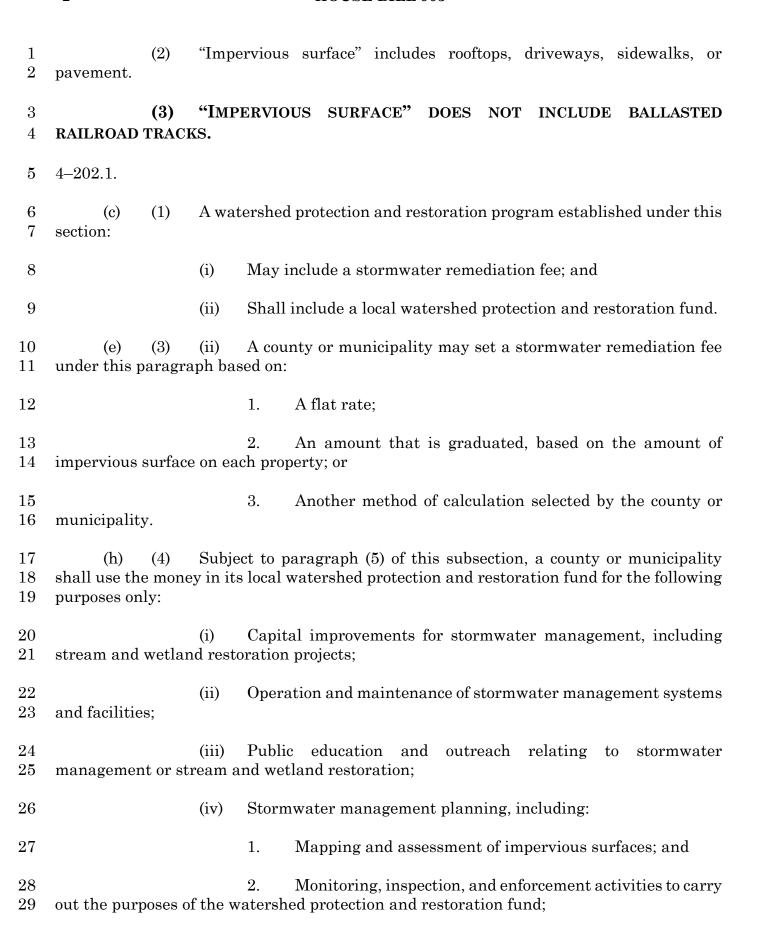
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A BILL ENTITLED

1	AN ACT concerning
2 3	Watershed Protection and Restoration Programs – Impervious Surface – Definition
4 5 6 7	FOR the purpose of altering the definition of "impervious surface" for purposes of certain provisions of law relating to watershed protection and restoration programs to exclude ballasted railroad tracks; and generally relating to watershed protection and restoration programs.
8 9 10 11 12	BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments, Article – Environment Section 4–201.1(a) and 4–202.1(c)(1), (e)(3)(ii), and (h)(4) and (5) Annotated Code of Maryland (2013 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)
13 14 15 16 17	BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – Environment Section 4–201.1(d) Annotated Code of Maryland (2013 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)
18 19	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
20	Article – Environment
21	4–201.1.
22	(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.
23 24	(d) (1) "Impervious surface" means a surface that does not allow stormwater to infiltrate into the ground.





- 1 (v) To the extent that fees imposed under § 4–204 of this subtitle are
 2 deposited into the local watershed protection and restoration fund, review of stormwater
 3 management plans and permit applications for new development;
 4 (vi) Grants to nonprofit organizations for up to 100% of a project's
 5 costs for watershed restoration and rehabilitation projects relating to:
- 6 1. Planning, design, and construction of stormwater
- 7 management practices;
- 8 2. Stream and wetland restoration; and
- 9 3. Public education and outreach related to stormwater 10 management or stream and wetland restoration; and
- 11 (vii) Reasonable costs necessary to administer the local watershed 12 protection and restoration fund.
- 13 (5) A county or municipality may use its local watershed protection and 14 restoration fund as an environmental fund, and may deposit to and expend from the fund 15 additional money made available from other sources and dedicated to environmental uses, 16 provided that the funds received from the stormwater remediation fee, if any, are expended 17 only for the purposes authorized under paragraph (4) of this subsection.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 19 October 1, 2019.