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To ensure successful implementation, this bill pairs land conservation with stewardship and resource equity.

Maryland has conserved only 23% of its total land mass