

(c) If § 12(2) and (3) of this Act are held invalid, then the Attorney General shall appoint the Chairman and each member of the Public Service Commission in accordance with the remaining provisions of § 12 of this Act.

SECTION 23. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall be applicable to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2005.

SECTION 24. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 3 of this Act shall take effect January 1, 2007, except that §§ 5-203, 6-101, 6-102, and 6-103 of the Public Utility Companies Article, as enacted by this Act, shall take effect July 1, 2007.

SECTION 25. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall, except as provided in Section 24 of this Act, take effect from the date it is enacted. If this Act does not secure sufficient votes to pass as an emergency measure, it shall take effect July 1, 2006, pursuant to Article III, § 31 of the Maryland Constitution.