

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That all persons who are, as of _____, 198__, classified employees of the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and whose positions are transferred to the Department of the Environment by this Act are hereby transferred to the Department of the Environment, effective _____, 198__, without any change or loss of rights or status, and shall retain their merit system and retirement system status, except as otherwise specifically provided in this Act.

SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That every person in a clerical position who, as of June 30, 1987, is employed by the Department of Natural Resources and is affected by a geographic relocation under this Act, shall be given the option, to the extent possible, of transferring to another position in State service in the same geographic area of current employment without any change or loss of rights, benefits, entitlements, or status, including, if any, merit system and retirement status except as otherwise specifically provided in this Act.

SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Executive Branch shall submit a report on or before January 1, 1988 and on or before January 1, 1989, to the Senate Budget and Taxation and House Appropriations Committees and the standing committees of the General Assembly with jurisdiction over the subject matter of the reorganization of State government effectuated by this Act. The reports shall include an analysis of: (1) the effectiveness of the consolidation and reorganization of existing programs on the functions of each department affected by this Act; (2) the impact of this reorganization and geographic relocations resulting from this reorganization on State personnel, including a comparison of the number of existing employees who were transferred to the Department of the Environment and the number of existing employees who were transferred to other positions in State service; and (3) the fiscal impact of the reorganization including relocation and rent expenses as well as other costs associated with the reorganization.

SECTION 8. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That ~~it is the intent of the General Assembly in transferring the sediment control and stormwater management programs under Title 4 of this Act, that because of the importance of these programs to water quality and restoring the Chesapeake Bay, that these programs be placed in a separate division of the Department of the Environment to be known as the "Division of Sediment Control and Stormwater Management"~~ the future allocation of funds to the counties under the Case formula shall not be affected in the event that environmental program responsibilities are delegated by the Secretary of the Environment to a local health officer or to a county official other than the county health officer.