

15. All moneys received as penalties for violations of the provisions of this Article, less the cost of collection and not otherwise provided for, together with any moneys obtained from the State forest reserves, shall be paid into a special fund in the State Treasury known as the Forest Reserve Fund; out of said Fund there shall be paid each year to the County Commissioners of each County in which shall be located any part of the State forest reserves, fifteen per cent. of the revenue derived from such part of the State forest reserves as is located in that county. The balance of said fund shall not revert to the General Treasury, but shall be dedicated to the purposes of forest protection, management, replacement and other purposes of the Department.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That the sub-title "State Geological and Economic Survey" and Sections 19 to 24, inclusive, of Article 91 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), the sub-title "Water Front Commission" and Sections 22 to 26, inclusive, of Article 19A of said Code, be and the same are hereby repealed; and that a new sub-title to be known as "Department of Geology, Mines and Water Resources" and three new Sections, to be known as Sections 12A, 12B and 12C be added to Article 19A, immediately after Section 12 of said Article, to read as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY, MINES AND WATER RESOURCES

12A. The Department of Geology, Mines and Water Resources is hereby created, to supersede the present State Geological and Economic Survey Advisory Commission, the Bureau of Mines, the Water Front Commission, and the Water Resources Commission, and take over all of the personnel powers and duties exercised by those agencies. The Department shall be under the direction of a Commission which shall consist of five members appointed by the Governor from among the citizens of the State with character, ability and active interest in the proper development, use and conservation of such resources. The members shall select their own Chairman. Their term of office shall be five years from June 1, 1941, but of those first appointed, one shall serve for one year, one for two years, one for three years, one for four years, and one for five years. The Governor may remove any member for cause, and any vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term. The members shall receive no compensation for their services, but shall be reimbursed for necessary travelling expenses and