

any part of the powers herein provided for, and if any of the provisions of this Act shall be held unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, the decision of such court shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions of this Act. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this Act would have been adopted had such unconstitutional provisions not been included therein.

SEC. 16. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1951.

Approved April 13, 1951.

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## CHAPTER 346

(Senate Bill 449)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 31 of Article 19A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition and 1947 Supplement), title "Conservation of Natural Resources," so as to change the title of "Executive Secretary" to "Director."

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 31 of Article 19A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition and 1947 Supplement), title "Conservation of Natural Resources," sub-title "Water Pollution Control Commission," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

31. (a) The present Executive Secretary of the Maryland Committee on Water Pollution may be appointed by the Commission as its [Executive Secretary] *Director* to hold office under the provisions of the Merit System Law and thereafter any vacancies in this position shall be subject to the Merit System Law. The [Executive Secretary] *Director* shall be a person with executive ability and experience and with knowledge of the general principles involved in the investigation, administration and control of the pollution of the waters of the State, shall perform such duties as said Commission shall require of him in connec-

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EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.