

SEC. 17 13. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, THAT CHAPTER 553 OF THE LAWS OF MARYLAND 1969, BE AND IT IS HEREBY REPEALED.

SEC. 18 14. *And be it further enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 13A (a) (K) of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition, 1967 Replacement Volume), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs," be repealed and re-enacted, with amendments BE AND IT IS HEREBY REPEALED, and that new Section 257-I be added to Article 41 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition, 1965 Replacement Volume), title "Governor—Executive and Administrative Department," subtitle "Department of Economic and Community Development," to follow immediately after Section 257H thereof, all to read as follows:*

13A.

~~(a) That Department Shall have the following additional powers:~~

[(k) To establish within the Department a market development section to promote optimal utilization of the State's seafood resources.]

257-I.

*There shall be established and continued a Seafood Marketing Authority and a Division of Market Development as the same Seafood Marketing Authority and Division of Market Development of the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs hitherto existing. The Seafood Marketing Authority and Division of Market Development shall be part of the Department of Economic and Community Development. Said Seafood Marketing Authority and Division of Market Development shall have the powers, duties, responsibilities, and functions provided in the laws of this State for the establishment in the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs for a Market Development Section. All references in this Code, in any other laws of this State, or in ordinances, resolutions, rules, regulations, legal actions, directives or documents to the Market Development Section of the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs shall be deemed to mean the Seafood Marketing Authority and the Division of Market Development. From and after September 1, 1970, all rights, powers, duties, obligations and functions, heretofore conferred upon or exercised by the Seafood Marketing Authority and/or the Division of Market Development of the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs shall be transferred to and exercised by the Seafood Marketing Authority and Division of Market Development of the Department of Economic and Community Development and subject to the authority of the Secretary of Economic and Community Development as set forth in this Code. All persons who are, as of August 31, 1970, employees of the Seafood Marketing Authority and/or the Division of Market Development of the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs shall be transferred to the Seafood Marketing Authority and Division of Market Development of the Department of Economic and Community Development in the same position and classification which they hold as of August 31, 1970;*