

Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1969 Replacement Volume), title "Surveyor and State Survey," subtitle "Maryland Coordinate System," SUBHEADING "BUREAU OF CONTROL SURVEYS AND MAPS" be and they are hereby repealed in their entirety, and that Sections 18, 19 and 24 of Article 78A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1969 Replacement Volume) title "Public Works," subtitle "Department of Public Improvements," be and they are hereby repealed in their entirety.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That Sections 17, 19A, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 25 of Article 78A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1969 Replacement Volume) title "Public Works," subtitle "Department of Public Improvements," be and the same are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to be under the same title, but to be under the new subtitle "Department of General Services," all to read as follows:

17.

**【**The Department of Public Improvements of Maryland is hereby created. The head of said Department shall be the Director of Public Improvements of Maryland, which shall be a full-time position.**】** The Department of *General Services*, in addition to its other functions and duties, shall perform the duties and functions herein conferred upon it or delegated to it by the Board of Public Works and shall have all powers necessary and proper to fulfill such functions and duties.

19A.

(a). There shall be a Land Acquisition Division under the Department of **【**Public Improvements**】** *General Services*. Land for all public improvements within the meaning of Section 20 of this subtitle, including those State projects funded under the "Outdoor Recreation Land Loan of 1969" or "Program Open Space" shall be acquired exclusively by this Division. The Land Acquisition Division is charged with the sole responsibility to acquire land for State projects funded under the "Outdoor Recreation Land Loan of 1969" or "Program Open Space," and has no responsibility for local projects or for developing the acquired land. Development of land acquired under "Program Open Space" is the responsibility of the managing State agencies. **【**The Division shall be established for a period necessary to carry out a five-year acquisition program and shall cease to exist when it has fulfilled its responsibilities under the program.**】**

(b). The **【**Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate,**】** Secretary of *General Services*, with the approval of the Governor, shall appoint a chief of the Land Acquisition Division. The chief shall be experienced and skilled in the field of land acquisition and shall receive a salary as provided in the budget. He shall continue in office at the pleasure of the **【**Governor**】** Secretary. The chief shall be responsible to the Department of **【**Public Improvements**】** *General Services* for discharging the functions assigned to the Division and for the administration of the Division. The chief shall organize the Division as necessary to carry out the responsibilities and functions of the Division and shall have such employees and professional con-