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(b) The Secretary of Natural Resources shall be responsible for promulgating rules and regulations for his office [and shall review and have revisory power over the rules and regulations of all of the departments and other agencies within the Department of Natural Resources, provided that no rule or regulation promulgated by the Secretary or by other departments or agencies within the Department of Natural Resources shall be inconsistent with law.] and for the Department. He shall review and shall have the power to approve, disapprove, issue, or revise the rules and regulations of all of the administrations, boards, bureaus, commissions, committees, departments, units and other agencies within the jurisdiction of the Department of Natural Resources.

(d) The Secretary of Natural Resources may in his discretion exercise or perform any power, duty, responsibility or function which any of the following administrations, bureaus, commissions, departments and other agencies are authorized to exercise or perform: the Bureau of Mines, the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs, the Fish and Wildlife Administration, the Department of Forests and Parks, the Maryland Geological Survey, and the Department of Water Resources.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That new Section 112A and Section 112B be and they are hereby added to Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition, 1967 Replacement Volume and 1969 Supplement), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Birds, Game and Inland Water Fish," to follow immediately after Section 112 thereof and to be under the new subheading "Fish and Wildlife Administration," all to read as follows:

112A.

*The Fish and Wildlife Administration is established and continued as the same Department of Game and Inland Fish hitherto existing. The Fish and Wildlife Administration shall be part of the Department of Natural Resources. The Fish and Wildlife Administration shall have the powers, duties, responsibilities and functions provided in the laws of this State for the Department of Game and Inland Fish, and such additional powers, duties, responsibilities and functions as may be conferred on it from time to time pursuant to the laws of this State. 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 Department of Game and Inland Fish shall be deemed to mean the Fish and Wildlife Administration. From and after July 1, 1970, all rights, powers, duties, obligations and functions heretofore conferred upon or exercised by the Department of Game and Inland Fish shall be transferred to and be exercised by the Fish and Wildlife Administration subject to the authority of the Secretary of Natural Resources as set forth in Sections 233, 234 and 235 of Article 41 or elsewhere in this Code.*

112B.

*The Fish and Wildlife Commission is established and continued as the same Game and Inland Fish Commission hitherto existing.*