

of Article 96A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Replacement Volume), title "Water Resources," subtitle "General Provisions," be and is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, and that Section 2 of Article 96A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Replacement Volume and 1971 Supplement), title "Water Resources," subtitle "General Provisions," be and is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, and that Section 8 of Article 96A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Replacement Volume), title "Water Resources," subtitle "Powers and Functions," be and is hereby repealed, and that Sections 6 and 9 of the same Article 96A, title "Water Resources," subtitle "Powers and Functions," be and are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, and that Section 15 (c) (2) of Article 96A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Supplement), title "Water Resources," subtitle "Appropriation of Waters; Reservoirs and Dams," be and is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, and that Sections 26A and 29 (a-1) of Article 96A of the same Article 96A, title "Water Resources," subtitle "Pollution Abatement," be and are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, and that Section 48 of the same Article 96A, title "Water Resources," subtitle "Wells," be and is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, and that Section 52 of the same Article 96A, title "Water Resources," subtitle "Other Powers and Functions," be and is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, and that Section 57 of Article 96A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Replacement Volume), title "Water Resources," subtitle "Miscellaneous Provisions," be and is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, and that Sections 75 and 76 of Article 96A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Supplement), title "Water Resources," subtitle "Comprehensive Water Pollution Control Program," be and are hereby repealed, and that Sections 77, 78, and 79 of the same Article 96A, title "Water Resources," subtitle "Comprehensive Water Pollution Control Program," be and are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, and that Sections 89 (b) and 91 of the same Article 96A, title "Water Resources," subtitle "Maryland Potomac Water Authority," be and are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, all to read as follows:

1.

(b) [In the exercise of this responsibility there is hereby created a State Department of Water Resources] *This responsibility shall be exercised by the Department of Natural Resources*, which shall have the powers and duties provided for in this article. [In addition, the Department shall have those powers and duties formerly exercised by the Water Pollution Control Commission and the present Department of Geology, Mines and Water Resources which are transferred herein to the Department. Nothing in this article shall in any manner limit the responsibilities of the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs as provided for in Article 66C of this Code.]

2.

(a) As used in this article, the following terms shall mean, unless the context clearly provides otherwise:

(b) "Department" shall mean the Department of [Water Resources] *Natural Resources*;