

minor when he attains majority. Persons owing money or property to minors who pay or deliver it in accordance with this section shall not be responsible for the proper application thereof. A release for any distribution under this section shall be a valid release.

502.

(b) Any war veteran or member of the armed services eligible for the benefits of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, and amendments, thereto, who is under twenty-one years of age, may, for the purpose of obtaining the benefits of said act, mortgage real estate owned by him, buy real estate and execute a mortgage to cover the purchase money, or execute a deed for the sale of real estate so purchased, or execute notes or make such other agreements and do such other things as may be necessary to obtain the benefits of the said Servicemen's Readjustment Act, and amendments thereto, and also may execute releases of claims in the same manner and with the same effect as though twenty-one years of age. The minor husband or wife of any said war veteran or member of the armed services may join in any such deed, deed of trust, deed of trust note and financing statement or mortgage for the purpose of releasing rights of dower and other rights in the same manner and with the same effect as though twenty-one years of age.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1972.

Approved April 11, 1972.

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## CHAPTER 30

(Senate Bill 230)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 15 (a) and 29AB (a) of Article 96A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Supplement), title "Water Resources," subtitles "Appropriation of Waters; Reservoirs and Dams," and "Pollution Abatement"; correcting certain errors in the laws relating to water resources and pollution abatement.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Sections 15 (a) and 29AB (a) of Article 96A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Supplement), title "Water Resources," subtitles "Appropriation of Waters; Reservoirs and Dams," and "Pollution Abatement" be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

15.

(a) Except as hereinafter provided, within one month after the filing with the Department of any application, the Department shall set a day for a public hearing upon the application for any of the following permits: (1) appropriation or use of any waters of the