

THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS CREATED, WITH THE MEMBERS, POWERS, DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS PROVIDED IN THIS SUBTITLE.

(A) THERE SHALL BE EIGHTEEN MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE, NINE OF WHOM ARE MEMBERS OF THE SENATE AND NINE OF WHOM ARE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE. MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE SHALL BE CHOSEN ON THE BASIS OF DEMONSTRATED ABILITY AND INTEREST IN THE FUNCTIONS DESCRIBED AND COVERED IN THIS SUBTITLE. THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE ECONOMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS COMMITTEE SHALL BE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE AND SHALL BE CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE, POSITIONS WHICH SHALL ROTATE ANNUALLY BETWEEN THEM.

(B) THE COMMITTEE SHALL GIVE DETAILED AND SYSTEMATIC ATTENTION AND STUDY TO THE STATE OF THE MARYLAND ENVIRONMENT AND SHALL REVIEW FULLY, INCLUDING ~~BY~~ MEANS OF PUBLIC HEARINGS IF THE COMMITTEE DEEMS THEM APPROPRIATE, THE ANNUAL STATE AGENCY ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW REPORTS PREPARED PURSUANT TO SECTION 452 OF THIS SUBTITLE. THE COMMITTEE SHALL REPORT ANNUALLY TO THE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, TOGETHER WITH ANY RECOMMENDATION IT MAY HAVE FOR ACTION BY THE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND THIS REPORT OR ANY PORTION OF IT MAY BE SEPARATELY MADE TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

(C) THE COMMITTEE IS AN ADJUNCT OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, BY WHICH IT SHALL BE SUPPLIED WITH FUNDS, STAFF ASSISTANCE, AND PROCEDURAL AID; AND THE COMMITTEE HAS ALSO THE SAME POWERS AS ARE GIVEN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL IN SECTION 30 OF ARTICLE 40 OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND. ~~||~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1973.

Approved May 24, 1973.

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#### CHAPTER 703

(Senate Bill 696)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 12G of Article 14B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Replacement Volume and 1972 Supplement), title "State Boat Act," authorizing the construction of jetties and breakwaters and construction of marine facilities located within State owned lands to be financed solely by the Waterway Improvement Fund; and ~~||~~relating generally to the financing of projects for construction of marine facilities, and to clarify the language. ~~||~~ making corrections therein.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 12G of Article 14B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Replacement Volume and 1972 Supplement), title "State Boat Act," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as