

SUBTITLE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection presently appears as Article 66C, section 674B(b) of the Code. The only changes made are in style.

7-602. LEGISLATIVE INTENT; AUTHORITY OF SECRETARY TO PREVENT, CONTROL, AND ABATE WATER POLLUTION; RULES AND REGULATIONS.

(A) LEGISLATIVE INTENT; SECRETARY'S POWERS.--IT IS THE INTENTION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO PROVIDE FOR THE RESTORATION OF STATE WATERS AFFECTED BY POLLUTION FROM ANY ABANDONED MINE TO THE QUALITY NECESSARY TO SUPPORT FISH AND OTHER AQUATIC LIFE, RECREATION, AND OTHER BENEFICIAL PURPOSES. TO ACCOMPLISH THIS OBJECTIVE, THE SECRETARY MAY ACQUIRE AND REHABILITATE LAND OCCUPIED OR DEGRADED BY ANY ABANDONED DEEP OR STRIP MINE TO PREVENT THE LAND FROM CONTRIBUTING TO WATER POLLUTION AND TAKE WHATEVER OTHER MEASURES ARE NECESSARY TO PREVENT, CONTROL, AND ABATE WATER POLLUTION FROM ANY ABANDONED MINING AREA.

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(P) RULES AND REGULATIONS.--THE SECRETARY MAY PROMULGATE RULES AND REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

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7-603. AUTHORITY OF SECRETARY TO IMPLEMENT SUBTITLE.

THE SECRETARY MAY IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE BY METHODS INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, BACKFILLING, GRADING, REVEGETATING ABANDONED STRIP MINES, SEALING ABANDONED DEEP MINES, AND CONTROLLING EROSION AND WATER DRAINAGE.

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7-604. ACQUISITION, SALE, TRANSFER, GIFT OF LAND, ABANDONED MINE DRAINAGE CAPITAL FUND.

LAND ACQUIRED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS