

CHEMICAL, OR BIOLOGICAL PROPERTIES, OF ANY WATERS OF THE STATE, INCLUDING CHANGE IN TEMPERATURE, TASTE, COLOR, TURBIDITY, OR ODOR OF THE WATERS, OR THE DISCHARGE OR DEPOSIT OF ANY ORGANIC MATTER, HARMFUL ORGANISM, LIQUID, GASEOUS, SOLID, RADIOACTIVE, OR OTHER SUBSTANCE INTO ANY WATERS OF THE STATE AS WILL RENDER THE WATERS HARMFUL, DETRIMENTAL, OR INJURIOUS TO PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WELFARE, DOMESTIC, COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, AGRICULTURAL, RECREATIONAL, OTHER LEGITIMATE BENEFICIAL USES, OR LIVESTOCK, WILD ANIMALS, BIRDS, FISH OR OTHER AQUATIC LIFE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection presently appears as Article 96A, section 24 (a) of the Code. This definition of "pollution" is used instead of that set forth in Article 96A, section 2 (g) because it was more inclusive and contains all the provisions of section 2 (g). The only other changes made are in style.

[[(I)]] (J) "SECRETARY" MEANS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection presently appears as Article 96A, section 2 (i) of the Code. The only changes made are in style.

[[(J)]] (K) "WATERS OF THE STATE" INCLUDES BOTH SURFACE AND UNDERGROUND WATERS WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE STATE SUBJECT TO ITS JURISDICTION, INCLUDING THAT PORTION OF THE ATLANTIC OCEAN WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE STATE, THE CHESAPEAKE BAY AND ITS TRIBUTARIES, AND ALL PONDS, LAKES, RIVERS, STREAMS, PUBLIC DITCHES, TAX DITCHES, AND PUBLIC DRAINAGE SYSTEMS WITHIN THE STATE, OTHER THAN THOSE DESIGNED AND USED TO COLLECT, CONVEY, OR DISPOSE OF SANITARY SEWAGE. THE FLOOD PLAIN OF FREE-FLOWING WATERS DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT ON THE BASIS OF THE 50-YEAR FLOOD FREQUENCY IS INCLUDED AS WATERS OF THE STATE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection presently appears as Article 96A, section 2 (e) of the Code, as amended by Chapter 329, H.B. 927, Acts of 1973. The only changes made are in style.

SUBTITLE 2. ORGANIZATION AND AUTHORITY OF UNIT PERTAINING TO WATER AND WATER RESOURCES - IN GENERAL.