

Section 5-1220 to 5-1222 to be under the new Subheading "Part III. Nature Conservancy." Annotated Code of Maryland (1973 Volume)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That new Sections 5-1220 to 5-1222, inclusive, to be under the new Subheading "Part III. Nature Conservancy" be and they are hereby added to Article - Natural Resources, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1973 Volume) to read as follows:

Article - Natural Resources

PART III. NATURE CONSERVANCY.

5-1220. PROPOSAL BY NATURE CONSERVANCY.

THE NATURE CONSERVANCY MAY SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT A PROPOSAL OUTLINING AN AREA IN WHICH THE NATURE CONSERVANCY HAS SECURED OR IS CONSIDERING SECURING TITLE OR OTHER LEGAL INTEREST. THE PROPOSAL SHALL INCLUDE THE LOCATION, ACREAGE, EXPLANATION OF PLANNED USE, AND EXPLANATION OF VALUES WHICH MAKE THE ACREAGE OF INTEREST TO THE STATE.

5-1221. ACTION BY SECRETARY.

WITHIN THREE MONTHS AFTER RECEIPT OF THE PROPOSAL, THE SECRETARY SHALL REPORT TO THE NATURE CONSERVANCY HIS RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO THE SUITABILITY OR NONSUITABILITY OF THE PROPOSAL IN RELATION TO THE STATE'S PROGRAM OF OPEN SPACE OR WILDLAND AREAS, WITH COPIES TO THE [[GOVERNOR]] BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS, THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

5-1222. AGREEMENTS BY SECRETARY.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 78A, SEC. 19A OF THIS CODE, SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH OTHER PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE REGARDING OPEN SPACE AND WILDLAND AREAS, THE SECRETARY MAY ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS WITH THE NATURE CONSERVANCY FOR THE STATE TO ACQUIRE TITLE TO OR AN INTEREST IN PROPERTY OWNED BY THE NATURE CONSERVANCY OR PROPERTY ON WHICH THE NATURE CONSERVANCY HOLDS AN OPTION OR A CONTRACT TO PURCHASE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1974.