

certain title of the Natural Resources Article.

BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources
Section ~~[[5-206(b)]]~~ 5-206 (a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1974 Volume and 1974 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section ~~[[5-206(b)]]~~ 5-206 (a) and (b) of Article - Natural Resources, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Volume and 1974 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article - Natural Resources

5-206.

(a) The [Governor, with the advice of the] Secretary [,] may commission any person to act as a forest or park warden for a term of two years, subject to removal at any time at the pleasure of the [Governor] SECRETARY. [A warden shall have the compensation fixed by the department. Before entering upon his duties, a person appointed warden shall take the official oath of office before the clerk of the circuit court in his county of residence.] While holding office, a warden has and may exercise the authority and power of a natural resources police officer or a law enforcement officer AS PROVIDED IN HIS COMMISSION so far as arresting and prosecuting persons for violations of any forest or park laws or of the laws, rules and regulations enacted for the protection of the state forestry reservations, state parks, historic monuments, recreation areas, or for the protection of fish and game.

(b) The ~~[[Governor, with the advice of the]]~~ Secretary~~[[,]]~~ may commission any employee of the Department as a law enforcement officer. An employee so commissioned and assigned law enforcement duties has and may exercise the powers of a Natural Resources Police officer or a law enforcement officer of the State. These powers may be exercised upon [properties owned by the State and managed by the Department pursuant to this title.]:

(1) PROPERTIES OWNED BY THE STATE AND MANAGED BY THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO THIS TITLE; AND

(2) RAILROAD RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND UTILITY