CHAPTER 21

(Senate Bill 204)

AN ACT concerning

Executive and Legislative Authority - Energy

FOR the purpose of extending, until a certain date, certain powers of the Governor in energy crisis emergency situations.

BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments,

Article 41 — Governor-Executive and
Administrative Departments
Section 15B(c-1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1971 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 15B(c-1) of Article 41 - Governor-Executive and Administrative Departments of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 41 - Governor-Executive and Administrative Departments

15B.

(c-1) As used in this subtitle, but only until [March 15, 1975] [[JUNE 30]] MARCH 15, 1976, "crisis", "disaster", "catastrophe" and "or similar public emergency" also refers to a situation where the health, safety, or welfare of the citizens of this State are threatened by reason of an actual or impending acute shortage in usable energy resources. Upon reasonable apprehension that such a crisis, disaster, catastrophe, or similar public emergency exists, the Governor may proclaim a state of emergency, in which event the Governor's orders, rules, and regulations, promulgated as provided in this subtitle, may also include, by way of further enumerated example rather than limitation, and notwithstanding any other provision or limitation of State or local law, provisions for the establishment and implementation of programs, controls, standards,