

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1976.

Approved May 17, 1976.

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CHAPTER 766

(House Bill 1432)

AN ACT concerning

Strip Mining

FOR the purpose of providing for establishment of a revolving account within the Bituminous Coal Open-Pit Mining Reclamation Fund for loans to owners of orphaned lands for reclamation project; providing for ~~[[applications]]~~ applications for loans; providing for a schedule of priorities for construction of approved loans; providing for repayment of loans and specifying that the loans constitute a ~~[[first]]~~ lien on the benefited property; requiring recordation of loan agreements; defining certain terms; and generally relating to loans for reclamation of orphaned land.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources  
Section 7-501  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1974 Volume and 1975 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Natural Resources  
Section 7-514.1 through 7-514.5, inclusive  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1974 Volume and 1975 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 7-501 of Article - Natural Resources, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Volume and 1975 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article - Natural Resources

7-501.

(a) In this subtitle[, ] the following words have the