

his leave period, if, while hunting, he possesses a copy of his leave order.

(c) A person may obtain a Maryland migratory WILD waterfowl stamp for a fee of \$1.10 from the clerk of the circuit court of any county, or the clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of Baltimore City, or from any person designated by the Department. The issuing clerk or person designated shall retain the sum of 10 cents as compensation for issuing each stamp. The balance of the fee is paid over and accounted for in the same manner as hunter's licenses.

(d) The Maryland migratory WILD waterfowl stamp shall be fixed adhesively to the back of the regular hunting license of the person to whom the stamp is issued. The recipient shall sign the stamp in ink.

(e) All revenues accruing from sales of the Maryland migratory WILD waterfowl stamp, less an amount not to exceed 10 percent of gross revenue or the actual administrative costs of producing and distributing the stamps, shall be expended solely for the propagation or purchase, and distribution, of mallard or other ducks to be released pursuant to regulations adopted by the department.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That new Section 5-902 be and it is hereby added to Article - Natural Resources, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Volume and 1975 Supplement) to read as follows:

Article - Natural Resources

5-902.

(A) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DECLARES THAT THERE IS NEED FOR A PROGRAM TO MAKE FUNDS AVAILABLE TO STATE AGENCIES AND ANY SUBDIVISION TO:

(1) EXPEDITE ACQUISITION OF OUTDOOR RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE AREAS BEFORE ESCALATING COST OF LAND PREVENTS ITS PURCHASE FOR PUBLIC USE AND BEFORE POTENTIAL AREAS ARE DEVOTED TO SOME OTHER USE; AND

(2) ACCELERATE DEVELOPMENT OF NEEDED OUTDOOR RECREATION FACILITIES.

(B) THIS PROGRAM IS KNOWN AS PROGRAM OPEN SPACE AND CARRIES OUT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE 1968 LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON RECREATIONAL AREAS. BY ENACTING THIS PROGRAM, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY INTENDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO THE STATE AND ITS SUBDIVISIONS TO ENABLE THEM TO ACQUIRE LAND FOR OUTDOOR PUBLIC RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE USE AND DEVELOP THE LAND FOR PUBLIC RECREATION.

(C) TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION,