

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1976.

Approved May 4, 1976.

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CHAPTER 345

(Senate Bill 951)

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary's City Commission - Nature Conservancy

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Economic and Community Development to review and evaluate proposals submitted by the Nature Conservancy and to advise the Governor and the General Assembly of recommendations, and authorizing the Secretary of Economic and Community Development to enter into certain agreements with the Nature Conservancy.

BY adding to

Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative Departments

Section 374A

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1971 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That new Section 374A be and it is hereby added to Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative Departments, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement) to read as follows:

Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative Departments

374A.

(A) THE NATURE CONSERVANCY MAY SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT A PROPOSAL OUTLINING AN AREA IN WHICH THE NATURE CONSERVANCY, IN COOPERATION WITH OR ON BEHALF OF THE ST. MARY'S CITY COMMISSION, 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.

(B) WITHIN THREE MONTHS AFTER RECEIPT OF THE PROPOSAL, THE SECRETARY OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SHALL REPORT TO THE NATURE CONSERVANCY HIS