ANY ADDITIONAL COST OF SUCH PENSION RETIREMENT COVERAGE.

SECTION -4-5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this act shall take effect July 1, 1977.

Approved May 26, 1977.

CHAPTER 778

(House Bill 562)

AN ACT concerning

Deepwater Ports - Siting

FOR the purpose of establishing certain procedures for the location, construction and operation of deepwater ports off the coastal water of Maryland; defining certain terms; restricting the State from being an applicant under certain Federal programs; defining the duties of the Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources; establishing a certain procedure for implementing the State's procedure on an application site; and relating generally to the construction of deepwater ports along and adjacent to the coastal water of Maryland.

BY adding to

Article - Natural Resources
Section 3-601 through 3-605, inclusive, to be under
the new subtitle, "Subtitle 6. Maryland
Deepwater Port Siting Act"
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1974 Volume and 1976 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That new Sections 3-601 through 3-605, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle, "Subtitle 6. Maryland Deepwater Port Siting Act" be and they are hereby added to Article - Natural Resources, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Volume and 1976 Supplement) to read as follows:

Article - Natural Resources

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SUBTITLE 6. MARYLAND DEEPWATER FORT SITING ACT

3-601. PURPOSE.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND LECLARES THAT THE INCREASING ENERGY REQUIREMENTS OF THE STATE AND NATION CONTINUE TO EXCEED DOMESTIC SOURCES OF ENERGY SUPPLY AND THAT DEMAND MUST BE MET, AT LEAST IN THE NEAR FUTURE, BY IMPORTED OIL. CONSTRUCTION OF DEEFWATER PORTS IN WATERS ALJACENT TO THE CONTINENTAL SHELF OF THE UNITED STATES