

(b) The Secretary may commission any employee of the Department as a law enforcement officer. An employee so commissioned and assigned law enforcement duties has and may exercise the powers of a natural resources police officer or a law enforcement officer of the State. These powers may be exercised upon:

(1) Properties owned by the State and managed by the Department pursuant to this title; [and]

(2) Railroad rights-of-way and utility properties which are not owned by the State, but which traverse properties owned by the State and managed by the Department pursuant to this title [.]; AND

(3) ALL ROADWAYS WHICH ARE WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF STATE PARKS.

[(3)] (C) In exercising the powers granted under SUBSECTION (B) OF this section, [forest or park wardens] THE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER shall make every attempt to minimize delay of the operations of railroads and all utilities.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1978.

Approved April 11, 1978.

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CHAPTER 123

(House Bill 423)

AN ACT concerning

Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Compact

FOR the purpose of adding an amendment to the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Compact to enable certain states to designate the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission as a joint regulatory agency for certain purposes and under certain circumstances; generally relating to the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Compact and Commission; and making this Act effective upon the happening of a certain contingency.

BY adding to

Article - Natural Resources  
Section 4-301 - Amendment I  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1974 Volume and 1977 Supplement)