

principal to be discharged within fifteen years of the date of issue of the bonds.

(6) This Act shall take effect June 1, 1976.

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

Approved May 29, 1978.

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CHAPTER 827

(Senate Bill 822)

AN ACT concerning

State Wetlands - Emergency Licenses

FOR the purpose of providing that a license to dredge or fill on State wetlands may be granted without a hearing under certain conditions; and providing for a hearing within a certain period of time after the granting of the license.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources  
Section 9-202(c)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1974 Volume and 1977 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article - Natural Resources

9-202.

(c) After a hearing in the local subdivision affected, the Board shall decide if issuance of the license is in the best interest of the State, taking into account the varying ecological, economic, developmental, recreational, and aesthetic values each application presents. If the Board decides to issue the license, it shall be for consideration and on terms and conditions the Board determines. Every license shall be in writing. With respect to an application for a license to fill or construct a shore erosion control structure on State wetlands, the Board may issue the license without a hearing if the fill area is less than 300 feet in length parallel to the fast land and not more than 10 feet channelward of the mean high