

generally to strip mining of coal in the State of Maryland.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources

Section 7-501; 7-505(a), (b), (c), (d), and (h); 7-506;  
7-507(c); 7-508; 7-509(a) and (b); 7-510;  
7-511; 7-512; 7-513; 7-516(b), (d), and (e);  
and 7-517(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1974 Volume and 1978 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Natural Resources

Section 7-503(c); 7-505.1; 7-507(d), (e), (f), and (g);  
7-517(c); 7-517.1; 7-519; 7-520; 7-521; 7-522;  
and 7-5A-03(e) and (f)

Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1974 Volume and 1978 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article - Natural Resources

Section 7-515

Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1974 Volume and 1978 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 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows: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

7-501.

(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b) "Abandoned" means an operation where no coal has been produced or overburden removed for a period of six months.

(c) "Auger mining" means the mechanical removal of coal from the subsurface by augering from the outcrop. It is an integral part of open-pit mining.

(d) "Committee" means Land Reclamation Committee.

[(e) "Completed" means an operation where the backfilling, planting, and other requirements of the permit have been accomplished and growth is such that the operator qualifies for release of the revegetation bond.]