

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 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows: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 41 - Governor - Executive and
Administrative Departments

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Southern [Interstate Nuclear] STATES ENERGY Compact

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The Governor is hereby authorized and directed to enter into a compact on behalf of the State of Maryland with such other states who may by their legislative bodies so authorize a compact in form substantially as follows:

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Article I. Policy and Purpose

The party states recognize that the proper employment AND CONSERVATION of [nuclear] energy[,] AND EMPLOYMENT OF ENERGY-RELATED facilities, materials, and products, WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF A RESPONSIBLE REGARD FOR THE ENVIRONMENT, can assist substantially in the industrialization of the South and the development of a balanced economy for the region. They also recognize that optimum benefit from and acquisition of [nuclear] ENERGY resources and facilities [requires] REQUIRE systematic encouragement, guidance, and assistance from the party states on a cooperative basis. It is the policy of the party states to undertake such cooperation on a continuing basis; it is the purpose of this compact to provide the instruments and framework for such a cooperative effort to improve the economy of the South and contribute to the individual and community well-being of the region's people.

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Article II. The Board

(a) There is hereby created an agency of the party states to be known as the "Southern [Interstate Nuclear] STATES ENERGY Board" (hereinafter called the board). The board shall be composed of [one member] THREE MEMBERS from each party state, ONE OF WHOM SHALL BE APPOINTED OR DESIGNATED IN EACH STATE TO REPRESENT THE GOVERNOR, THE STATE SENATE, AND THE STATE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, RESPECTIVELY. EACH MEMBER SHALL BE designated or appointed in accordance with the law of the state which he represents and serving and subject to removal in accordance with such law. Any member of the board may provide for the discharge of his duties and the performance of his functions thereon