

[(b)] (C) "County" includes Baltimore City unless otherwise indicated.

[(c)] (D) "Department" means Department of Natural Resources.

[(d)] (E) "Person" includes the state, any county, municipal corporation, or other political subdivision of the state, or any of their units, or an individual, receiver, trustee, guardian, executor, administrator, fiduciary, or representative of any kind, or any partnership, firm, association, public or private corporation, or any other entity.

[(e)] (F) "Secretary" means Secretary of Natural Resources.

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~~(a) Forests, streams, valleys, wetlands, parks, scenic, historic and recreation areas of the state are basic assets. Their proper use, development, and preservation are necessary to protect and promote the health, safety, economy, and general welfare of the people of the state. It is the policy of the state to encourage the economic development and use of its natural resources for the improvement of local economy, preservation of the natural beauty, and promotion of the recreational and leisure interest throughout the state.~~

~~(b) MANY SCENIC NATURAL RESOURCES WITHIN THE STATE MAY BE USED AND ENJOYED BEST BY THE PUBLIC FOR RECREATION PURPOSES THROUGH PROVISION OF RECREATION RELATED FACILITIES AND SERVICES. IT IS THE POLICY OF THE STATE TO ENCOURAGE PRIVATE INVESTMENT IN DEVELOPMENT, CONSTRUCTION, AND OPERATION OF RECREATION RELATED FACILITIES AND SERVICES.~~

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~~(a) There is a Forest Advisory Commission in the Department.~~

~~(b) There is a Parks Advisory Commission in the Department.~~

~~(c) THERE IS A CONCESSIONS MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION IN THE DEPARTMENT.~~

~~[(e)]-(D) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section, a member of the Commission on Forests and Parks as of June 30, 1972 may serve the unexpired remainder of his term as a member of an advisory commission created by law.~~

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