

BY adding to

Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative  
Departments  
Section 495A  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1982 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article - Natural Resources  
Section 11-104  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1983 Replacement Volume)

Preamble

WHEREAS, The U.S. Department of Energy has been prosecuting oil companies for violations of petroleum pricing and allocation regulations;

WHEREAS, The Department of Energy has collected \$200 million as restitution payments to State and local governments as compensation for unidentifiable consumers injured by oil price overcharging;

WHEREAS, Congress has recently enacted legislation authorizing that \$200 million be distributed to states for the purpose of supplemental energy assistance;

WHEREAS, Maryland will receive approximately \$3.58 million from such authorization;

WHEREAS, Rising energy prices have placed the greatest financial burden on low-income people;

WHEREAS, The elderly and other low-income people are the least able to adjust their energy consumption, because they often live in old energy-wasteful homes; now, therefore,

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative  
Departments

495A.

{A}--TO--THE--EXTENT-ALLOWED-UNDER-FEDERAL-REQUIREMENTS--THE GOVERNOR-SHALL-APPLY-ALL-FUNDS-RECEIVED-FROM-THE-WARNER-AMENDMENT TO-THE-FURTHER-CONTINUING-APPROPRIATIONS-ACT,--1983--{PUBLIC--LAW