

(1) compare the credentialing system for health providers used in the State to the systems used in other states;

(2) compare the uniform credentialing form used in the State to the format used by the Council for Affordable Quality Healthcare;

(3) identify the mechanisms used by physicians and other health care providers to complete credentialing; and

(4) identify ways to improve the credentialing system used in the State.

(b) On or before January 1, 2007, the Administration shall report its findings, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee.

SECTION ~~2~~ 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2006.

Enacted April 7, 2006.

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**CHAPTER 55**

**(Senate Bill 751)**

AN ACT concerning

**Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area Protection Program -  
Critical Area Commission - Authority**

FOR the purpose of clarifying the authority of the Critical Area Commission and the chairman regarding program amendments and program refinements; altering the guidelines for local jurisdictions for the location of new intensely developed and limited development areas; altering the Commission's approval process for program amendments and program refinements; clarifying the procedures for growth allocation requests by local jurisdictions; clarifying certain terms; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the authority of the Commission and the Chairman of the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area Protection Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources

Section 8-1802(a), 8-1808.1(c), and 8-1809(o), (p), and (q)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

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