(5) Promote CONSERVATION PROGRAMS FOR THE Chesapeake Bay [conservation programs] AND OTHER AQUATIC AND LAND RESOURCES OF THE STATE through the media or other means.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2005.

Approved April 26, 2005.

## CHAPTER 275

(House Bill 1548)

AN ACT concerning

## **Economic Development - Local Redevelopment Authorities**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Secretary of Business and Economic Development to create certain local redevelopment authorities in accordance with the federal Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990; requiring the Secretary of the Department to file articles of incorporation of an authority with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation; providing for the establishment, membership, and officers of the Board of Directors of an authority; requiring the Board to approve the hiring of certain staff; exempting officers and employees of an authority from certain provisions of State law; providing for the appointment, powers, salary, and duties of the executive director of an authority; authorizing the Board of an authority to perform certain functions; authorizing an authority to perform certain functions and exercise certain powers; establishing certain rights of holders of bonds issued under this Act; exempting an authority from the payment of certain taxes or assessments except under certain circumstances; providing for the creation, continuation, administration of the funds of an authority; requiring an annual audit and report of the audit; exempting an authority from certain provisions of State law; extending the termination date of the Maryland Military Installation Strategic Planning Council; requiring the Council to submit a final report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; declaring the findings and intent of the General Assembly; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the creation of local redevelopment authorities.

## BY adding to

Article 83A - Department of Business and Economic Development

Section 5-1701 through 5-1711, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 17. Local Redevelopment Authorities"

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2003 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 335 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2003