

transferred to the State Archives and the Commission on Artistic Property created by this Act, and all employees and officials of the Records Management Division of the Hall of Records Commission on June 30, 1984 are hereby transferred to the Records Management Division of the Department of General Services, without any change or loss of rights or status, and without further examination, qualification, or probationary period, and these employees and officials shall retain their merit system and retirement system status. Such employees and officials shall not suffer any diminution of salary, wages, accrued leave, or seniority rights and status as a result of such transfer. However, whenever the State Archivist serving on January 1, 1984 ceases to hold office, the successor shall be in the unclassified service and shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

SECTION 11. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as otherwise provided in this Act, nothing in this Act affects the term of office of an appointed member or an official of any board, commission, committee, or other agency or unit. A person who is a member or official of such a unit on the effective date of this Act shall remain a member for the balance of the term to which the person was appointed, unless the person sooner dies, resigns, or is removed pursuant to the provisions of law.

SECTION 12. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That any transaction affected by or flowing from any statute here amended, repealed, or transferred, and validly entered into before the effective date of this Act and every right, duty, or interest flowing from it remains valid after the effective date and may be terminated, completed, consummated, or enforced pursuant to law.

SECTION 13. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That all rules and regulations, proposed rules and regulations, standards and guidelines, proposed standards and guidelines, orders and other directives, forms, plans, memberships, special funds, appropriations, grants, applications for grants, contracts, property investigations, administrative and judicial proceedings, rights to sue and be sued, and all other duties and responsibilities associated with those functions transferred by this Act shall continue in effect under the State Archivist, State Archives, Hall of Records Commission, Commission on Artistic Property or Department of General Services until completed, withdrawn, cancelled, modified, or otherwise changed pursuant to law.

SECTION 14. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the repeal of Article 54, § 5(a) of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1983 Replacement Volume) by this Act does not affect the recovery of any records that were not transferred in accordance with the requirements of that provision and the Archives may proceed to recover those records as if Article 54, § 5(a) were still in effect.

SECTION 14 15. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as expressly provided in this Act, this Act does not affect the State Archives Fund or the Consolidated Publication Account.