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(a) The provisions of this Act, being necessary for the welfare of the State and its inhabitants, shall be liberally construed to effect the purposes thereof.

(b) The provisions of this Act are severable, and if any of such provisions shall be held unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, the decision of such court shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1984.

Approved May 29, 1984.

CHAPTER 538

(Senate Bill 423)

AN ACT concerning

Stormwater Management - Rules and Regulations

FOR the purpose of requiring the rules and regulations of the Department of Natural Resources concerning stormwater management to specify the minimum content of certain other rules and regulations.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources
Section 8-11A-03(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1983 Replacement Volume and 1983 Supplement)

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

Article - Natural Resources

8-11A-03.

(b) By July 1, 1983, the Department shall adopt rules and regulations which establish criteria and procedures for stormwater management in Maryland. The rules and regulations shall:

(1) Indicate that the primary goal of the State and local programs will be to maintain after development, as nearly as possible, the predevelopment runoff characteristics;