

(A) There [shall be established and continued] IS a Seafood Marketing Authority and a Division of Market Development [as the same Seafood Marketing Authority and Division of Market Development of the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs hitherto existing].

(B) The Seafood Marketing Authority and Division of Market Development shall be part of the Department of [Economic and Community Development] AGRICULTURE.

(C) [Said] THE Seafood Marketing Authority and Division of Market Development shall have the powers, duties, responsibilities, and functions provided in the laws of this State. [for the establishment in the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs for a Market Development Section. All references in this Code, in any other laws of this State, or in ordinances, resolutions, rules, regulations, legal actions, directives or documents to the Market Development Section of the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs shall be deemed to mean the Seafood Marketing Authority and the Division of Market Development. From and after September 1, 1970, all rights, powers, duties, obligations and functions, heretofore conferred upon or exercised by the Seafood Marketing Authority and/or the Division of Market Development of the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs shall be transferred to and exercised by the Seafood Marketing Authority and Division of Market Development of the Department of Economic and Community Development and subject to the authority of the Secretary of Economic and Community Development as set forth in this Code. All persons who are, as of August 31, 1970, employees of the Seafood Marketing Authority and/or the Division of Market Development of the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs shall be transferred to the Seafood Marketing Authority and Division of Market Development of the Department of Economic and Community Development in the same position and classification which they hold as of August 31, 1970; and if said employees are members of the Merit System, they shall retain their Merit System status. All books, papers, files, records, furniture, fixtures, and all other personal property owned by or in the custody, as of August 31, 1970, of the Seafood Marketing Authority and/or the Division of Market Development of the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs shall be transferred to and be in the ownership or custody of the Seafood Marketing Authority and Division of Market Development of the Department of Economic and Community Development. All appropriations and credits on the books, papers, and accounts of the Seafood Marketing Authority and/or the Division of Market Development of the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs, as of August 31, 1970, for and to the credit of said Authority and/or Division, and all liabilities and obligations as of August 31, 1970, of said Authority and/or Division, shall be transferred to and become the appropriations, credits, liabilities, and obligations of the Seafood Marketing Authority and Division of Market Development of the Department of Economic and Community Development. All forms of the Seafood Marketing Authority and/or