

FOR REVIEW BY THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE. THE EXECUTIVE ORDER SHALL TAKE EFFECT 30 DAYS AFTER SUBMISSION TO THE COMMITTEE.

(e) (E) (1) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION ARE NOT INTENDED TO CREATE ANY RIGHTS OF OWNERSHIP OR OTHER RIGHTS TO LAND OR TO CREATE ANY BENEFITS OR ENTITLEMENTS OF ANY KIND, NOR ARE THEY INTENDED TO IMPAIR VALID EXISTING RIGHTS, BENEFITS, OR ENTITLEMENTS BELONGING TO AMERICAN INDIANS RESIDING IN THE STATE.

(2) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION MAY NOT IMPAIR EXISTING JUDICIAL RULINGS OF THE STATE REGARDING MARYLAND'S AMERICAN INDIANS.

(3) PRIOR TO FORMAL RECOGNITION OF MARYLAND INDIAN STATUS, MEMBERS OF THE PETITIONING GROUP SHALL SUBMIT AN AFFIDAVIT RENOUNCING ALL TRIBAL RIGHTS OF OWNERSHIP OR OTHER RIGHTS WITH RESPECT TO LAND IN THE STATE.

(D) (F) ANY ACTION OR FAILURE TO TAKE ACTION BY THE COMMISSION UNDER THIS SECTION DOES NOT CREATE A PRIVATE CAUSE OF ACTION UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE.

(G) (1) ANY PERSON WHO, IN ANY MATTER WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THIS SECTION, KNOWINGLY AND WILLFULLY FALSIFIES OR CONCEALS, BY ANY TRICK, SCHEME, OR DEVICE, A MATERIAL FACT, OR MAKES ANY FALSE, FICTITIOUS, OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENTS OR REPRESENTATIONS, OR MAKES OR USES ANY FALSE WRITING OR DOCUMENT, KNOWING THE WRITING OR DOCUMENT CONTAINS ANY FALSE, FICTITIOUS, OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENT OR ENTRY, IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR.

(2) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY LAW, A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,000, OR IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN 6 MONTHS, OR BOTH.

(H) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION MAY NOT BE CONSTRUED TO CREATE IN THE COMMISSION ANY POWER TO ESTABLISH CRITERIA FOR MEMBERSHIP IN A TRIBE, BAND, GROUP, OR CLAN. THAT POWER IS SPECIFICALLY RESERVED TO THE INDIVIDUAL TRIBE, BAND, GROUP, OR CLAN.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1988.

Approved May 27, 1988.