SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1989.

Approved May 5, 1989.

CHAPTER 117

(Senate Bill 251)

AN ACT concerning

Middle Atlantic Interstate Forest Fire Prevention
Protection Compact

FOR the purpose of amending the Middle Atlantic Interstate Forest Fire Protection Compact to provide for the addition of the State of Ohio to the compact among the States of Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, and West Virginia and the Commonwealths of Pennsylvania and Virginia for the providing of mutual assistance in forest fire prevention and control in the Middle Atlantic area and with adjoining states; making stylistic changes; providing for the enactment and effective date of this compact; and generally relating to the addition of the State of Ohio to the Middle Atlantic Interstate Forest Fire Prevention Protection Compact.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources Section 5-801 Annotated Code of Maryland (1983 Replacement Volume and 1988 Supplement)

Preamble

WHEREAS, By Chapter 126 of the Laws of 1956, the General Assembly of Maryland enacted the Middle Atlantic Interstate Forest Fire Protection Compact on behalf of the State of Maryland along with the State of Delaware, New Jersey, and West Virginia and the Commonwealths of Pennsylvania and Virginia to provide mutual assistance in forest fire prevention and control in the Middle Atlantic area and with adjoining states; and

WHEREAS, The State of Ohio enacted a law on February 11, 1988 to join the other signatory jurisdictions in the Middle Atlantic Interstate Forest Fire Protection Compact; now, therefore,