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CHAPTER 482

(Senate Bill 132)

AN ACT concerning

Governor's Energy Emergency Powers

FOR the purpose of ~~removing~~ extending the limited time period for the authorization to the Governor of certain powers during energy crisis emergency situations; clarifying certain provisions relating to the Governor's authority to implement federal energy emergency programs; and generally relating to the Governor's energy emergency powers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative  
Departments  
Section 2-101(c-1)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1986 Replacement Volume and 1988 Supplement)

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

Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative Departments  
2-101.

(c-1) (1) As used in this subtitle, ~~-f-but~~ only until July 1, ~~1989~~ 1991, ~~-f-~~ "crisis," "disaster," "catastrophe," and "or similar public emergency" also refers to a situation where the health, safety, or welfare of the citizens of this State are threatened by reason of an actual or impending acute shortage in usable energy resources. Upon reasonable apprehension that such a crisis, disaster, catastrophe, or similar public emergency exists, the Governor may proclaim a state of emergency. In that event the Governor's orders, rules, and regulations, promulgated as provided in this subtitle, may also include, by way of further enumerated example rather than limitation, and notwithstanding any other provision or limitation of State or local law:

(i) Provisions for the establishment and implementation of programs, controls, standards, priorities, and quotas for the allocation, conservation, and consumption of energy resources;