

2. Where there is evidence that exhibits animosity on the part of the person committing the act against a person or group because of that person's or group's race, color, religious beliefs, or national origin.

594B.

(i) (2) The State Fire Marshal or a full-time assistant of the office of the State Fire Marshal has the same powers of arrest set forth in subsection (e) of this section as to offenses listed under §§ 8(a), 9, 9A, [10,] 11D, 111B, 139A, 151C, [and] 156, AND 470A (B) (4) of this article, and attempting, causing, aiding, counseling, or procuring arson in the first or second degree or malicious burning in the first or second degree.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1994.

Approved May 26, 1994.

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**CHAPTER 556**

**(House Bill 360)**

AN ACT concerning

**Forest Conservation Requirements – Paved ~~Parking Lots~~ Surfaces – Exemption Waiver**

FOR the purpose of ~~exempting~~ authorizing local forest conservation programs to waive certain forest conservation requirements for areas covered by certain paved ~~parking lots surfaces; and generally relating to local forest conservation programs from the application of certain forest conservation requirements.~~

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources

Section ~~5-1602~~ 5-1603(c)(3)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1989 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

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

**Article – Natural Resources**

~~5-1602.~~

(a) ~~Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, this subtitle shall apply to any public or private subdivision plan or application for a grading or sediment control permit by any person, including a unit of State or local government on areas 40,000 square feet or greater.~~

(b) ~~The provisions of this subtitle do not apply to:~~