

SECTION 19. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Governor may transfer any general, special, or federal fund appropriations or reimbursable fund amounts ~~between from~~ the Department of Natural Resources ~~and to~~ the Department of the Environment as is necessary to carry out the provisions of SB 809 or HB 1184; ~~and that the Governor may transfer non-statutory programs relative to the reorganization of the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of the Environment; and that the Governor may transfer funds from the Department of the Environment to the Department of Natural Resources only as necessary to consolidate the programs and activities of the two departments related to the Chesapeake Bay and its watersheds in the Department of Natural Resources. This shall consist of functions, predominately from the Department of the Environment's Chesapeake Bay and Watershed Management program, associated with administration; planning; policy, strategy and program development, implementation and coordination; research; analysis (including modeling); monitoring; assessment; information management programs; habitat restoration; education and outreach. The Department of the Environment will retain technical activities to support multimedia regulatory and permitting activities. Such functions include: compliance and field water quality monitoring and modeling; environmental data management; development of geographic data bases (GIS) related to permitting and regulation; environmental impacts analysis for water quality certification purposes (e.g. dredging, marina development, residential and commercial development). The total number of positions may not exceed the total number of positions authorized in the FY 1996 budget for the two departments.~~

SECTION 20. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That appropriations shall be reduced by at least \$6,600,000 in general funds, \$1,600,000 in special funds and \$2,700,000 in higher education funds to reflect a delay in employee increments for four months. The Secretary of Budget and Fiscal Planning shall make the required reductions at the time the Secretary provides the Comptroller with the schedule of allotments for fiscal year 1996 for executive branch departments and agencies. This 4-month delay shall also apply to all State employees who receive merit increases, to include but not be limited to all individuals and/or positions in Sections 12 and 13 of this Act. The provisions of this section shall also apply to all positions in agencies with independent salary setting authority."

Amendment No. 21:

On page 165, in line 20, strike the numeral "18" and substitute the numeral "21"; and in line 26, strike the numeral "19" and substitute the numeral "22".