- (3) IT IS IN THE INTEREST OF THE STATE TO PRESERVE THESE RESOURCES THROUGH THEIR IDENTIFICATION, INTERPRETATION, DEVELOPMENT, AND USE IN A SYSTEM MADE UP OF STATE DESIGNATED HERITAGE AREAS; AND
- (4) IN COOPERATION WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, REGIONS, LOCAL JURISDICTIONS, AND OTHER PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS AND CONCERNED INDIVIDUALS, THE STATE SHOULD IMPROVE AND COORDINATE THE PLANS, FUNCTIONS, POWERS, AND PROGRAMS OF THE STATE AS THEY AFFECT THE STATE'S URBAN AND RURAL CULTURAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES.

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OTHER LAWS OF THE STATE THAT APPLY TO SPECIFIC PARKS OR HISTORIC PLACES, INCLUDING LAWS RELATING TO THE ALIENATION OF PARKLAND AND THE REGULATION OF PUBLIC OR PRIVATE ACTIVITIES, APPLY WITHIN A STATE DESIGNATED HERITAGE AREA.

13-1104. 13-1102.

THIS SUBTITLE:

- (1) SHALL BE LIBERALLY CONSTRUED TO EFFECT ITS PURPOSES; $\frac{BUT}{AND}$
- (2) MAY NOT SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO BE INCONSISTENT CONSISTENTLY WITH ANY APPLICABLE FEDERAL LAW OR WITH THE AUTHORITY OF ANY FEDERAL AGENCY UNDER THAT LAW.

PART II. MARYLAND STATE HERITAGE AREAS AUTHORITY. 13-1105. 13-1103.

- (A) THERE IS A BODY CORPORATE AND POLITIC KNOWN AS THE MARYLAND HERITAGE AREAS AUTHORITY.
- (B) THE AUTHORITY IS AN INSTRUMENTALITY OF THE STATE AND A PUBLIC CORPORATION BY THAT NAME, STYLE, AND TITLE:
- (C) THE AUTHORITY IS AN INDEPENDENT UNIT IN THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT THAT FUNCTIONS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:
- (D) THE EXERCISE BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE POWERS CONFERRED BY THIS SUBTITLE IS THE PERFORMANCE OF AN ESSENTIAL PUBLIC FUNCTION.
 - (A) THERE IS A MARYLAND HERITAGE AREAS AUTHORITY, ESTABLISHED AS:
 - (1) A BODY CORPORATE AND POLITIC; AND
 - (2) AN INSTRUMENTALITY OF THE STATE.
- (B) THE AUTHORITY IS AN INDEPENDENT UNIT OF GOVERNMENT IN THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT THAT OPERATES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.