

(i) On the land or such portion of the land acceptable to the Trust;  
and

(ii) On the exterior and interior, where appropriate, of the historic structures.

(b) The easement must be in form and substance acceptable to the Trust and the extent of the interest to be encumbered must be acceptable to the Trust.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1997.

May 22, 1997

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.  
President of the Senate  
State House  
Annapolis MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 498.

This bill provides that commercial harvesting of trees may be allowed in the areas where Critical Area buffers and Habitat Protection Areas overlap so long as allowable cutting procedures are followed in accordance with an approved buffer management plan. A buffer management plan must be prepared for all commercial harvests within the buffer regardless of acreage cut, and must meet specified minimum requirements.

House Bill 595, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on April 29, 1997, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 498.

Sincerely,  
Parris N. Glendening  
Governor

**Senate Bill No. 498**

AN ACT concerning

**Chesapeake Bay Critical Area – Commercial Timber Harvest – Criteria for Buffer Overlap**

FOR the purpose of allowing certain timber harvesting within a certain distance of buffer areas that overlap with certain habitat protection areas; providing for the effective date of this Act; and generally relating to timber harvesting in the Critical Area.

BY adding to

Article – Natural Resources  
Section 8-1808.7