CHAPTER 627

(Senate Bill 830).

AN ACT concerning

Environment - Dredged Material Management

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from redepositing dredged material in a certain manner except when used under certain circumstances; authorizing a person to redeposit a certain amount of dredged material after a certain date and under certain circumstances; establishing an Executive Committee to provide oversight in the development of plans for dredged material management; providing for the membership of the Executive Committee; providing for the frequency of meetings of the Executive Committee; requiring the Executive Committee to perform certain duties; requiring the Executive Committee to provide certain reports to the General Assembly in a certain manner and by certain dates; defining certain terms; modifying certain definitions; and generally relating to the management of dredged material.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Environment
Section 5–1101(a) and 5–1102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1996 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Environment
Section 5-1104.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1996 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

Preamble

WHEREAS, The Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries are a precious resource to all Marylanders; and

WHEREAS, The Port of Baltimore is a major economic component to the State of Maryland providing employment and livelihood to Marylanders; and

WHEREAS, The Port of Baltimore requires maintaining and improving shipping channels and berths to serve the international shipping industry; and

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland should have a long-range dredged material management plan that is effective and environmentally sound; now, therefore,

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