agreements, and reimbursement under the Compact; providing for the implementation and validity of the Compact; making provisions of the Compact severable; declaring the intent of the General Assembly; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Maryland Emergency Management Assistance Compact.

BY adding to

Article 16A - Maryland Emergency Management Agency

Section 37 through 39 to be under the new subtitle "Maryland Emergency Management Assistance Compact"

Annotated Code of Maryland

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

Article 16A - Maryland Emergency Management Agency

MARYLAND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE COMPACT

37.

- (A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
- (B) "AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE" MEANS AN EMPLOYEE OF A LOCAL JURISDICTION AUTHORIZED BY THE SENIOR ELECTED OFFICIAL OF THAT JURISDICTION TO REQUEST, OFFER, OR PROVIDE ASSISTANCE UNDER THE TERMS OF THE COMPACT.
- (C) "COMPACT" MEANS THE MARYLAND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE COMPACT.
- (D) "JURISDICTIONS" MEANS THE 23 COUNTIES WITHIN MARYLAND $\overline{\text{AND}}_{2}$ BALTIMORE CITY, AND OCEAN CITY.
 - (E) "SENIOR ELECTED OFFICIAL" MEANS:
 - (1) THE MAYOR:
 - (2) THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE; OR
- (3) FOR A COUNTY THAT DOES NOT HAVE A COUNTY EXECUTIVE, THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OR COUNTY COUNCIL OR OTHER CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE COUNTY.

38.

THE MARYLAND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE COMPACT IS ENTERED INTO WITH ALL OTHER JURISDICTIONS WHICH THAT ADOPT THE COMPACT IN A FORM SUBSTANTIALLY AS SIMILAR TO THE COMPACT APPEARS SET FORTH IN THIS SUBTITLE.