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~~THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO ENFORCE COMPLIANCE BY A FACILITY WITH THE HAZARDOUS MATERIAL SECURITY STANDARDS ADOPTED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason in a court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or any other application of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and for this purpose the provisions of this Act are declared severable.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2004.

Approved May 26, 2004.

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## CHAPTER 505

### (House Bill 494)

AN ACT concerning

#### **Tidal Wetlands Violations – Criminal ~~and Administrative~~ and Administrative Penalties**

FOR the purpose of ~~authorizing the Department of the Environment to impose certain penalties for violations of tidal wetlands provisions under certain circumstances; establishing certain criteria for consideration in the assessment of the penalties; requiring the Department of the Environment to provide a certain notice and opportunity for a certain meeting to a certain person prior to taking a certain action against the person for an alleged violation of tidal wetlands provisions; authorizing the Department of the Environment to impose certain penalties for violations of tidal wetlands provisions under certain circumstances; establishing certain criteria for consideration in the assessment of the penalties altering certain criminal penalties for certain violations of certain tidal wetlands requirements; renaming the Wetland Compensation Fund; requiring certain money to be deposited into the Fund; and generally relating to the Department of the Environment's authority over violations of tidal wetlands~~ criminal and administrative penalties for violations of tidal wetlands provisions the protection and restoration of tidal wetlands provisions.

BY repealing

Article – Environment

Section 16-202(f)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)