transferred to the Department of Business and Economic Development on the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 18. 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2007.

Approved by the Governor, May 17, 2007.

CHAPTER 516

(Senate Bill 50)

AN ACT concerning

Governor's Appointments Office and Appointing Authorities - Duties

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Governor's Appointments Office from superseding or interfering with any function directing or overruling certain decisions of certain appointing authorities in the Executive Branch of State government and, the Secretary of the Department of Budget and Management with respect to the Secretary's functions regarding the State's personnel systems as assigned by law; prehibiting the Governor from delegating to the Appointments Office or any other unit, officer, official, or employee in the Office of the Governor or the Executive Branch any function or duty with respect to the hiring and termination of at will and special appointments in the principal departments of the Executive Branch and other units in the Executive Branch providing a eertain-exception, or a unit of the Department of Budget and Management; providing that appointing authorities in the Executive Branch of State government have certain exclusive powers and duties, including the power to appoint, transfer, reassign, discipline, and terminate employees under their jurisdiction; prohibiting an appointing authority from delegating final decisions on the termination of an employee; defining certain terms; and generally relating to gubernatorial appointments and appointing authorities in the Executive Branch of State government.

BY adding to

Article - State Government

Section 8-3A-01 to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 3A. Appointments in State Government"

Annotated Code of Maryland

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