FOR the purpose of altering the term and placing certain restrictions on the salary of the Chief Administrative Law Judge; clarifying the authority of administrative law judges to subpoena witnesses, to administer oaths, to examine an individual under oath, and to compel the production of certain records; clarifying the powers and authority of administrative law judges; specifying certain procedures and enforcements applicable to certain show cause orders; authorizing the Motor Vehicle Administration to delegate to the Office of Administrative Hearings the power and authority to conduct hearings and issue proposed or final decisions in certain cases; clarifying the authority of an agency to delegate to the Office of Administrative Hearings the authority to issue final decisions in contested cases; requiring certain findings to be submitted to certain parties; declaring the intent of the General Assembly; providing for the retroactive effect of this Act; providing for the effective date of this Act; and generally relating to the Office of Administrative Hearings and administrative law judges.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - State Government

Section 9-1603 and 10-207

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1984 Volume and 1990 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - State Government

Section 9-1605(c) and (d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1984 Volume and 1990 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Transportation

Section 12-104(e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1987 Replacement Volume and 1990 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 788 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1989

Section 2 and 3

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

Article - State Government

9-1603.