- (c) The [Department] ADMINISTRATION may use the Fund to pay expenses of the Program and to provide loans to eligible sponsors and projects.
- (d) (1) The State Treasurer shall hold and the State Comptroller shall account for the Fund.
- (2) The Fund shall be invested and reinvested and any earnings shall be paid into the Fund for use in the Program.
- (3) Any repayment of principal and interest on loans made from the Fund shall be paid into the Fund.

[4-908] 10-908.

The [Department] ADMINISTRATION is hereby authorized to enter into contracts with third parties to make, service, or settle loans made under this subtitle. [4-909] 10-909.

- (a) A person may not knowingly make or cause to be made any false statement or report in any document required to be furnished to the [Department] ADMINISTRATION by any agreement relating to financial assistance.
- (b) A person applying for financial assistance may not knowingly make or cause any false statement or report to be made for the purpose of influencing any action of the [Department] ADMINISTRATION on an application for financial assistance or for the purpose of influencing any action of the [Department] ADMINISTRATION affecting financial assistance already provided.
- (c) Any person who violates any provision of subsection (a) or (b) of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$50,000 or imprisonment not exceeding 1 year or both.

10 910.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 3-302(C) OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES ARTICLE OF THE CODE, THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL RECEIVE ADMINISTRATIVE AND FISCAL SUPPORT FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST FUND FOR THE ANALYSIS AND IMPLEMENTATION OF ENERGY SUPPLY AND DEMAND REDUCTION FUNCTIONS RELATING TO THE CONSERVATION OF ELECTRIC ENERGY AND FUELS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PRODUCTION OF ELECTRICITY.

16-111.

The three members of the "Southern States Energy Board" from the State of Maryland shall be appointed as follows:

(1) 1 member by the [Secretary of Natural Resources] DIRECTOR OF THE MARYLAND ENERGY ADMINISTRATION, with the approval of the Governor; this member's term of office shall be coterminous with that of the appointing Governor;