Article, the Secretary of Human Resources may transfer a caseworker or a casework supervisor who works as a contractual employee to a budgeted position if the contractual employee meets the minimum qualifications for the budgeted position, has performed satisfactorily as a contractual employee, and the transfer is approved by the Secretary of Budget and Management. Contractual conversions shall be phased in in accordance with a plan developed by the Secretary of Human Resources and the Secretary of Budget and Management consistent with recommendations of the Department of Budget and Management's December 1997 report, entitled Long-Term Contractual Employment and Recommended Policy Options.

SECTION 2. 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, July 1, 1998.

Approved May 12, 1998.

CHAPTER 545

(House Bill 1168)

AN ACT concerning

Small Business Pollution Compliance Loan Fund

FOR the purpose of establishing a Small Business Pollution Compliance Loan Fund; providing for the purposes and administration of the Fund; authorizing the Board of Public Works to award certain loans to certain persons for certain purposes from the Fund; requiring the Department of the Environment to adopt certain regulations; providing certain standards for certain loans; requesting the Governor to provide certain funding for the Fund; defining certain terms; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to the Small Business Pollution Compliance Loan Fund.

BY adding to

Article - Environment

Section 2-801 through 2-806, to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 8. Small Business Pollution Compliance Loan Fund"

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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