

designated by the Secretary or received by a county in a certain period of time; limiting the number of extraordinary expansions that the Secretary may grant in a certain period of time; authorizing the Secretary to adopt regulations to implement this Act; providing for the effective date of this Act; and generally relating to the expansion of enterprise zones.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 83A - Department of Business and Economic Development  
Section 5-402(e)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 83A - Department of Business and Economic Development  
Section 5-402(i) and (j)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

**Article 83A - Department of Business and Economic Development**

5-402.

(e) Within 60 days following any submission date, the Secretary may designate one or more enterprise zones from among the applications submitted to the Secretary on or before that submission date, provided, however, that the Secretary may not designate more than 6 enterprise zones in any 12 month period and no county may receive more than 1 area designated as an enterprise zone in any calendar year. The determination of the Secretary as to the areas designated enterprise zones shall be final, except that, for any area not designated an enterprise zone, a political subdivision may reapply at any time to the Secretary for designation of that area as an enterprise zone.

(I) (1) A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION MAY APPLY TO THE SECRETARY FOR THE EXPANSION OF AN EXISTING ENTERPRISE ZONE IN THE SAME MANNER AS THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION WOULD APPLY FOR THE DESIGNATION OF A NEW ENTERPRISE ZONE.

(2) THE SECRETARY MAY GRANT AN EXPANSION OF AN ENTERPRISE ZONE INTO ANY AREA THAT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF § 5-403 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(J) (1) THE SECRETARY MAY GRANT AN EXTRAORDINARY EXPANSION OF AN ENTERPRISE ZONE INTO ANY AREA THAT:

(I) MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF § 5-403 OF THIS SUBTITLE; AND