

of December 31, 2008, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved by the Governor, April 17, 2008.

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## CHAPTER 119

(House Bill 1253)

AN ACT concerning

### Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area Protection Program – Administrative and Enforcement Provisions

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Maryland Home Improvement Commission to deny, reprimand, suspend, or revoke certain licenses for failure to comply with certain legal terms or requirements in the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area; authorizing the Home Builder Registration Unit to deny, reprimand, suspend, or revoke a home builder's registration, or impose certain civil penalties on a registrant, for failure to comply with certain critical area legal terms and requirements; authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to revoke or suspend the license of a licensed tree expert for failure to comply with certain critical area legal terms and requirements; requiring the Critical Area Commission for the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays to notify the Maryland Home Improvement Commission ~~on a contractor's failure,~~ the Home Builder Registration Unit, or the Department of Natural Resources on the failure of certain contractors to comply with certain terms or requirements in the Critical Area; authorizing the Critical Area Commission to adopt and amend certain regulations regarding certain matters; requiring the Critical Area Commission to adopt certain regulations; requiring that local Critical Area programs contain certain procedures, penalty provisions, and other elements; repealing a provision of law that allows for the omission of certain runoff prevention measures on certain sites; requiring a local jurisdiction to consider certain factors in the determination of certain penalties; requiring that the Critical Area Commission receive certain notice from a local jurisdiction within a certain time; establishing that certain development activities violate certain provisions of law; prohibiting a local jurisdiction from accepting certain applications for a variance or issuing certain authorizations unless certain conditions are satisfied; requiring a local jurisdiction to deny a variance and order certain actions under certain circumstances, and authorizing a local jurisdiction to grant proposed approval to a variance under certain