

and Legislative Review or whatever other joint committee if any may be substituted by law by the General Assembly to carry out its responsibilities with respect to the energy crisis for approval or rejection. If the Committee fails to take action within seven days of submission of the orders, rules and regulations, the orders, rules and regulations shall become effective as promulgated by the Governor. In the event of extraordinary circumstances in which it is not feasible to secure the approval of the Committee an order, rule, or regulation may become effective immediately, and shall within two days be communicated to the chairman of the Committee and be subject to reversal by the full Committee which shall be convened within five days of communication of the order, rule or regulation. All records of orders, rules and regulations and Committee meetings shall be open to the public. In addition to the specific emergency powers contained in this subtitle, the General Assembly of Maryland recognizes and confirms the Governor's power to exercise fully the authority necessary to implement the federal mandatory allocation program as set forth in the Emergency Petroleum Allocation Act of 1973 (87 Stat. 627), as well as any succeeding federal programs, laws, orders, rules, or regulations relating to the allocation, conservation, or consumption of energy resources.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That all laws or parts of laws, public general or public local, inconsistent with this Act, are repealed to the extent of the inconsistency.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Committee on Administrative, Executive and Legislative Review shall develop suggested legislation dealing with the relationship between the Executive and Legislative branches of the State government as their functions relate to energy utilization on an ongoing basis. Such recommendations shall be submitted to the Legislative Council for submission to the 1977 session of the General Assembly.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason, the invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or any other application of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end all the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public