

accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 195.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor

Senate Bill No. 195

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources - Submerged Aquatic Vegetation

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Natural Resources to update certain delineations of certain submerged aquatic vegetation protection zones at certain times; authorizing a certain area to be opened to certain activities during certain times and under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to make certain adjustments to certain delineations; requiring the Department to utilize certain means to mark certain protection zones; requiring the Department to provide certain notice of certain delineations; prohibiting the use of certain gear in certain protection zones; providing certain exceptions; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the protection and restoration of submerged aquatic vegetation.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources

Section 4-1006.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

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

Article - Natural Resources

4-1006.1.

(a) [A person may not use a hydraulic clam dredge in any submerged aquatic vegetation bed.

(b) The Department shall:

(1) Delineate existing submerged aquatic vegetation beds in the waters of the State not currently protected under Part IV of this subtitle by using the most recent aerial surveys as guidance; and

(2) Update as necessary the delineation required under paragraph (1) of this subsection.]

(1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.