

HOUSE BILL 313

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By: **Delegate Stein**

Introduced and read first time: February 2, 2011

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Natural Resources – Woodland Incentives Fund – Renaming**

3 FOR the purpose of renaming the Woodland Incentives Fund to be the Mel Noland
4 Woodland Incentives Fund; making certain conforming changes; and generally
5 relating to the Woodland Incentives Fund.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7 Article – Natural Resources
8 Section 5–204(a)(2)(ii), 5–301(g), and 5–307(a), (b), and (j)
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
12 Article – Natural Resources
13 Section 8–2A–04(c)(2)(iv)
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2007 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

16 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
17 Article – Tax – Property
18 Section 13–306(a)(3)(i)
19 Annotated Code of Maryland
20 (2007 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

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

23 **Article – Natural Resources**

24 5–204.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (a) (2) The purpose of the Council is to advise the Department on all
2 matters related to:

3 (ii) The expenditure of funds from the **MEL NOLAND** Woodland
4 Incentives Fund under § 5–307 of this title;

5 5–301.

6 (g) “**MEL NOLAND** Woodland Incentives Fund” means the special fund
7 established in the State Treasury under § 5–307 of this subtitle.

8 5–307.

9 (a) In this section, “Fund” means the **MEL NOLAND** Woodland Incentives
10 Fund.

11 (b) There is a **MEL NOLAND** Woodland Incentives Fund in the Department.

12 (j) On or before June 30 of each year, the Department shall report to the
13 Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House
14 Environmental Matters Committee on the use of funds credited to the [Woodland
15 Incentives] Fund, including an identification of and the reasons for those revenues
16 derived from forestry practices on designated lands owned and managed by the
17 Department that were not credited to the [Woodland Incentives] Fund.

18 8–2A–04.

19 (c) (2) The BayStat Subcabinet agencies shall administer the funds in
20 accordance with the final work and expenditure plans, including the distribution of
21 funds:

22 (iv) To the **MEL NOLAND** Woodland Incentives Fund
23 established under § 5–307 of this article.

24 **Article – Tax – Property**

25 13–306.

26 (a) (3) The Comptroller shall deposit:

27 (i) up to \$200,000 annually of the revenue remitted under
28 paragraphs (1)(i) and (2)(i) of this subsection or subsection (b) of this section into the
29 **MEL NOLAND** Woodland Incentives Fund established in § 5–307 of the Natural
30 Resources Article; and

31 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
32 October 1, 2011.