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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Department of Natural Resources - Electronic Transactions**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to develop and
4 implement a system for conducting certain transactions over the Internet;
5 authorizing the Department to adopt certain regulations; authorizing the
6 Department to determine certain fees; and generally relating to the use of
7 electronic transactions by the Department.

8 BY adding to
9 Article - Natural Resources
10 Section 1-403
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2000 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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

15 **Article - Natural Resources**

16 1-403.

17 (A) THE DEPARTMENT MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT
18 THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

19 (B) THE DEPARTMENT MAY DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT AN ELECTRONIC
20 SYSTEM FOR:

21 (1) RECEIVING, OVER THE INTERNET, ANY INFORMATION OR FEES
22 REQUIRED FOR THE SALE OR ISSUANCE OF ANY LICENSE, PERMIT, OR REGISTRATION
23 UNDER THIS ARTICLE; AND

24 (2) COMPLETING, OVER THE INTERNET, THE SALE OR ISSUANCE OF ANY
25 LICENSE, PERMIT, OR REGISTRATION UNDER THIS ARTICLE.

1 (C) THE DEPARTMENT MAY DETERMINE THE APPROPRIATE FEE DUE TO ANY
2 PERSON PROVIDING SERVICES TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR ANY ELECTRONIC SYSTEM
3 DEVELOPED OR IMPLEMENTED UNDER THIS SECTION.

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
5 October 1, 2004.