

BY: Environmental Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1375

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 3, after “of” insert “requiring certain public water systems to notify in writing certain private schools, public schools, child care centers, and family day care homes of certain water contamination;”; after line 12, insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Environment

Section 9-410

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)”;

and in line 15, after “(11)” insert “and 5-573(b)(7) and (8)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in lines 15 and 31, in each instance, strike “AND”; in line 17, after “SUPPLY” insert “; AND”

(IV) DESCRIBE THE INSTITUTION’S PLAN FOR DEALING WITH THE WATER CONTAMINATION PROBLEM UNTIL THE INSTITUTION’S WATER IS DETERMINED BY THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITY TO BE SAFE FOR CONSUMPTION”;

and in line 33, after “SUPPLY” insert “; AND”

(4) DESCRIBE THE SCHOOL’S PLAN FOR DEALING WITH THE WATER CONTAMINATION PROBLEM UNTIL THE SCHOOL’S WATER IS DETERMINED BY THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITY TO BE SAFE FOR CONSUMPTION”.

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AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, after line 33, insert:

“Article - Environment

9-410.

(a) Each supplier of water shall give notice to the Department and the persons served by the system AND SHALL GIVE WRITTEN NOTICE TO NONCOLLEGIATE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, PUBLIC SCHOOLS, FAMILY DAY CARE HOMES, AND CHILD CARE CENTERS whenever the system:

(1) Fails to comply with an applicable maximum contaminant level, treatment technique requirement, or testing procedure prescribed by a drinking water regulation or fails to perform required monitoring;

(2) Is subject to variance granted for an inability to meet a maximum contaminant level;

(3) Is subject to an exemption;

(4) Fails to comply with the requirements set by a variance or exemption; or

(5) Has concentration levels of an unregulated contaminant for which the State may require notice due to the risk to public health.

(b) Each notice shall:

(1) State the nature and possible health effects that may result;

(2) Be provided to the persons served by the water system;

(3) Be issued in a timely manner by means of radio, television, newspaper of general circulation, written notice, or other means acceptable to the Department; and

(4) Be in a form readily understandable by the affected population.

(c) (1) By rule or regulation, the Secretary shall adopt notice requirements to meet the

requirements of this section.

(2) The rules and regulations shall establish notification standards and procedures that include the manner, frequency, form, and content of the notices.

(d) For violations with the potential to have serious adverse effects on human health as a result of short-term exposure, the supplier of water shall provide notice as soon as practicable, but not later than 24 hours after the occurrence of the violation.

(e) For violations other than the violations described in subsection (d) of this section, the supplier of water shall provide written notice to each person served by the system in an annual report, or by mail not later than 1 year after the violation.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, in line 28, strike the period and substitute “; AND”; in line 29, strike “REQUIREMENTS” and substitute “A REQUIREMENT”; in line 34, strike “AND”; and in line 36, after “SUPPLY” insert “; AND”

4. DESCRIBE THE FAMILY DAY CARE HOME’S PLAN FOR DEALING WITH THE WATER CONTAMINATION PROBLEM UNTIL THE FAMILY DAY CARE HOME’S WATER IS DETERMINED BY THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITY TO BE SAFE FOR CONSUMPTION”.

On page 4, after line 4, insert:

“(7) prohibit a child from remaining at a child care center for more than 14 hours in 1 day unless the Department issues an exception for that child based on guidelines set by the Secretary; [and]

(8) (i) require that a child care center have in attendance at all times at least 1 individual who is responsible for supervision of children, including children on field trips, and who holds a current certificate indicating successful completion of approved:

1. basic first aid training through the American Red Cross or

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through a program with equivalent standards; and

2. cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training through the American Heart Association or through a program with equivalent standards appropriate for the ages of children for whom care is provided in the child care center; and

(ii) require that a child care center serving more than 20 children have in attendance certificate holders described in item (i) of this item in a ratio of at least 1 certificate holder for every 20 children[.]; AND”;

in line 10, strike the period and substitute “; AND”; in line 16, strike “AND”; and in line 18, after “SUPPLY” insert “; AND

4. DESCRIBE THE CHILD CARE CENTER’S PLAN FOR DEALING WITH THE WATER CONTAMINATION PROBLEM UNTIL THE CHILD CARE CENTER’S WATER IS DETERMINED BY THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITY TO BE SAFE FOR CONSUMPTION”.