

SENATE BILL 828

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By: **Senator Pipkin**

Introduced and read first time: February 6, 2009

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and Budget and Taxation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Environment – Independent Audit – Use of State Money by Nongovernmental**
3 **Organizations**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring a nongovernmental organization that receives State
5 money for a purpose authorized or required under certain provisions of
6 environmental law to employ a certain certified public accountant to conduct a
7 certain annual audit; requiring the nongovernmental organization to submit a
8 certified copy of the annual audit to the Governor and the General Assembly on
9 a certain date, for a certain period of time, and in a certain manner; and
10 generally relating to audits of nongovernmental organizations that receive State
11 money for certain purposes.

12 BY adding to
13 Article – Environment
14 Section 1–205
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2007 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

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

19 **Article – Environment**

20 **1–205.**

21 **A NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION THAT RECEIVES STATE MONEY**
22 **FOR A PURPOSE AUTHORIZED OR REQUIRED UNDER THIS ARTICLE SHALL:**

23 **(1) EMPLOY AN INDEPENDENT CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT**
24 **LICENSED TO PRACTICE IN THE STATE TO AUDIT ANNUALLY THE BOOKS AND**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 FINANCIAL RECORDS OF THE NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION AS THE
2 BOOKS AND RECORDS RELATE TO THE ORGANIZATION'S USE OF STATE MONEY;
3 AND

4 (2) SUBMIT A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT TO THE
5 GOVERNOR AND THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON OR BEFORE
6 DECEMBER 31, FOR EACH YEAR THAT THE NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION
7 RECEIVES STATE MONEY FOR A PURPOSE AUTHORIZED OR REQUIRED UNDER
8 THIS ARTICLE, AND IN THE SAME MANNER AS A PUBLICATION SUBMITTED
9 UNDER § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
11 October 1, 2009.