## HB0573/360615/1

BY: Environmental Matters Committee

## AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 573, AS AMENDED

In the Environmental Matters Committee Amendments (HB0573/860216/1), in Amendment No. 3:

On page 7, in line 1, after "AN" insert "ANNUAL"; and

On page 8, in line 1, after "AN" insert "ANNUAL".

In the Environmental Matters Committee Amendments, in Amendment No. 4:

On page 13, in line 1, strike "15" and substitute "16";

On page 14, in line 4, after "<u>AN</u>" insert "<u>ANNUAL</u>"; in line 15, strike "<u>PARAGRAPH (2)</u>" and substitute "<u>PARAGRAPHS (2), (4), AND (5)</u>"; in line 18, after "<u>APPLY</u>" insert "<u>ORGANIC OR NATURAL ORGANIC</u>"; and in line 20, after "<u>TEST</u>" insert "<u>PERFORMED NO MORE THAN 3 YEARS BEFORE THE FERTILIZER APPLICATION</u>";

On page 15, in line 2, after "<u>MARYLAND</u>;" insert "<u>OR</u>"; strike beginning with "<u>1.</u>" in line 3 down through "<u>(III)</u>" in line 8; in line 8, after "<u>TEST</u>" insert "<u>PERFORMED NO MORE THAN 3 YEARS BEFORE THE FERTILIZER APPLICATION</u>"; and after line 17, insert:

"(4) A PROFESSIONAL FERTILIZER APPLICATOR MAY APPLY FERTILIZER TO TURF CONTAINING PHOSPHORUS IF THE PROFESSIONAL FERTILIZER APPLICATOR:

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- (I) DETERMINES THAT THE FERTILIZER IS NECESSARY FOR THE SPECIFIC SOILS AND TARGET VEGETATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH A SOIL TEST PERFORMED NO MORE THAN 3 YEARS BEFORE THE FERTILIZER APPLICATION, PROVIDED THE APPLICATION COMPLIES WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS ESTABLISHED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND;
- (II) IS ESTABLISHING VEGETATION FOR THE FIRST TIME, SUCH AS AFTER LAND DISTURBANCE, PROVIDED THE APPLICATION COMPLIES WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS ESTABLISHED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND; OR

## (III) IS REESTABLISHING OR REPAIRING A TURF AREA.

(5) A PROFESSIONAL FERTILIZER APPLICATOR MAY APPLY FERTILIZER TO TURF IN EXCESS OF THE PHOSPHORUS REQUIREMENTS IN § 6-224 OF THIS ARTICLE, IF THE PROFESSIONAL FERTILIZER APPLICATOR IS ESTABLISHING VEGETATION FOR THE FIRST TIME, SUCH AS AFTER LAND DISTURBANCE, PROVIDED THE APPLICATION COMPLIES WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND.";

On page 19, in line 14, strike "NITROGEN" and substitute "PHOSPHORUS"; and

On page 20, in line 14, after "AN" insert "ANNUAL".