

HOUSE BILL 268

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By: **Chair, Appropriations Committee (By Request – Departmental – University System of Maryland)**

Introduced and read first time: January 23, 2013

Assigned to: Appropriations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science – Joint Graduate**
3 **Degree Granting Authority**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of Regents of the University System of
5 Maryland, subject to certain approvals, to authorize the University of Maryland
6 Center for Environmental Science to award certain joint graduate degrees and
7 post baccalaureate certificates; altering the definition of “public senior higher
8 education institution” to include the Center; and generally relating to the
9 degree granting authority of the University of Maryland Center for
10 Environmental Science.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
12 Article – Natural Resources
13 Section 3–403(a)
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2012 Replacement Volume)

16 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
17 Article – Education
18 Section 10–101(a)
19 Annotated Code of Maryland
20 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

21 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
22 Article – Education
23 Section 10–101(m)
24 Annotated Code of Maryland
25 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

26 BY adding to

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 Article – Education
2 Section 12–104(o)
3 Annotated Code of Maryland
4 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

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

7 **Article – Natural Resources**

8 3–403.

9 (a) The University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science shall
10 conduct a comprehensive program to develop and apply predictive ecology for
11 Maryland to the improvement and preservation of the physical environment, through
12 a program of research, public service, and education. The University of Maryland
13 Center for Environmental Science shall perform the following functions:

14 (1) Maintain liaison with the State to identify the important regional
15 and environmental problems, including the relationship to the use of the waters of the
16 State and in particular those environmental problems affecting the waters of the
17 Chesapeake Bay;

18 (2) Inventory appropriate:

19 (i) Professional individuals;

20 (ii) Organizations which are private, public, and commercial;

21 (iii) Facilities; and

22 (iv) Programs, including:

23 1. Educational;

24 2. Research and development; and

25 3. Public service;

26 (3) Arrange or prepare critical reviews, analyses, summaries of
27 present levels of understanding and technical status reports on topical environmental
28 problems, in formats ranging in depth from informal consultation to formal reports;

29 (4) Assist the development and coordination of single or
30 multidisciplinary programs and projects on the environment at public and private
31 educational and research institutes;

1 **(2) AWARD POST BACCALAUREATE CERTIFICATES.**

2 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
3 July 1, 2013.