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(House Bill 641)

AN ACT concerning

Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission – Drinking Water and Wastewater Effluent – Testing

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FOR the purpose of requiring the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission to conduct quarterly testing of drinking water and wastewater effluent in in the Commission facilities system for certain unregulated contaminants beginning on a certain date; requiring the Commission to report the results of the quarterly testing to the county executives of Montgomery County and Prince George's County and publish the results on its Web site within a certain time period after receiving the results <u>under certain circumstances</u>; and generally relating to the testing of drinking water and wastewater effluent for certain contaminants by the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission.

BY adding to

Article – Public Utilities Section 28–301 to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 3. Drinking Water and Wastewater Effluent Testing" Annetated Code of Maryland

Annotated Code of Maryland (2010 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

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

Article – Public Utilities

SUBTITLE 3. DRINKING WATER AND WASTEWATER EFFLUENT TESTING.

28-301.

(A) **BEGINNING IN 2014, THE** <u>THE</u> COMMISSION SHALL CONDUCT QUARTERLY TESTING OF DRINKING WATER AND WASTEWATER EFFLUENT IN IN <u>THE</u> COMMISSION FACILITIES SYSTEM FOR UNREGULATED CONTAMINANTS INCLUDED IN THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY'S THIRD CYCLE OF UNREGULATED CONTAMINANT MONITORING REGULATIONS ESTABLISHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE XIV, § 1445(A)(B)(I) OF THE FEDERAL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE ACT.

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(B) WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER RECEIVING THE RESULTS OF EACH QUARTERLY TEST, <u>IF THE RESULTS INDICATE THAT A CONTAMINANT IS</u> <u>PRESENT</u>, THE COMMISSION SHALL:

(1) REPORT THE RESULTS OF THE TEST TO THE COUNTY EXECUTIVES OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY AND PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY; AND

(2) PUBLISH THE RESULTS OF THE TEST ON ITS WEB SITE.

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

Approved by the Governor, April 9, 2013.