

SENATE BILL 773

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Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Community Healthy Air Act**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of the Environment, on or before a certain
4 date, to conduct a certain assessment of the Department's compliance and the
5 compliance of certain concentrated animal feeding operations with certain air quality
6 laws and regulations; requiring the Department to report to the General Assembly
7 on or before a certain date; and generally relating to air quality and concentrated
8 animal feeding operations in the State.

9 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
10 That:

11 (a) On or before July 1, 2018, the Department of the Environment shall conduct
12 an environmental assessment of the Department's compliance and the compliance of
13 concentrated animal feeding operations in the State with State and federal air quality laws
14 and regulations related to emissions of air pollutants from concentrated animal feeding
15 operations that:

16 (1) identifies all air pollutants emitted from concentrated animal feeding
17 operations in the State;

18 (2) includes air quality monitoring data from concentrated animal feeding
19 operations in the State collected in accordance with an air monitoring program
20 implemented by the Department;

21 (3) identifies all State or federal laws and regulations related to air
22 pollutant emissions that apply to concentrated animal feeding operations in the State; and

23 (4) identifies any specific exemptions or exceptions to State or federal laws
24 and regulations related to air pollutant emissions from concentrated animal feeding
25 operations in the State.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (b) On or before October 1, 2018, the Department of the Environment shall report
2 to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on
3 the emissions of air pollutants from concentrated animal feeding operations and the
4 Department's compliance and the compliance of concentrated animal feeding operations in
5 the State with State and federal air quality laws and regulations, including the findings of
6 the environmental assessment required under subsection (a) of this section.

7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
8 October 1, 2017.