

HOUSE BILL 539

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Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

Committee Report: Favorable with amendments

House action: Adopted

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Environment – Reuse of Water Diverted From Septic Systems**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing a person to use water that is generated by certain activities
4 and collected for reuse, instead of discharged to ~~an~~ a residential on-site water
5 treatment system, and that does not contain certain constituents, for certain
6 purposes on the site on which the reusable diverted water originates and in
7 accordance with certain requirements; defining a certain term; and generally
8 relating to the reuse of water diverted from on-site sewage disposal systems.

9 BY adding to

10 Article – Environment

11 Section 9–1113

12 Annotated Code of Maryland

13 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

15 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 **Article – Environment**

17 **9–1113.**

18 (A) IN THIS SECTION, “REUSABLE DIVERTED WATER” MEANS WATER THAT
19 ~~IS:~~

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 **(1) ~~GENERATED~~ IS GENERATED BY:**

2 **(I) BACKWASHING AN ON-SITE POTABLE WATER TREATMENT**
3 **SYSTEM; OR**

4 **(II) USING AN ICE MAKER; ~~AND~~**

5 **(2) ~~COLLECTED~~ IS COLLECTED FOR REUSE INSTEAD OF DISCHARGED**
6 **TO ~~AN~~ A RESIDENTIAL ON-SITE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM; AND**

7 **(3) CONTAINS NO CONSTITUENTS THAT ARE DETRIMENTAL TO**
8 **PUBLIC HEALTH OR THE ENVIRONMENT.**

9 **(B) (1) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A PERSON**
10 **MAY USE REUSABLE DIVERTED WATER FOR BENEFICIAL PURPOSES, INCLUDING:**

11 **(I) GARDENING;**

12 **(II) COMPOSTING;**

13 **(III) LAWN WATERING; AND**

14 **(IV) IRRIGATION; ~~AND~~**

15 **~~(V) FLUSHING OF A CONVENTIONAL TOILET OR URINAL.~~**

16 **(2) A PERSON MAY USE REUSABLE DIVERTED WATER ONLY:**

17 **(I) ON THE SITE ON WHICH THE REUSABLE DIVERTED WATER**
18 **ORIGINATES; AND**

19 **(II) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY APPLICABLE STATE AND LOCAL**
20 **LAWS OR REGULATIONS, INCLUDING STATE AND LOCAL PLUMBING CODES.**

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
22 October 1, 2019.