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Assigned to: Environmental Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Rubble Landfills - Recycling Plan**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring that a permit holder for a rubble landfill submit to the
4 Department of the Environment and a certain approving authority a certain
5 recycling plan by a certain date; requiring that the recycling plan receive certain
6 approval before implementation; providing that a permit holder recycle certain
7 materials to the extent legally allowed and economically feasible; requiring that a
8 permit holder submit a certain report to the Department and the approving
9 authority; defining a certain term; and generally relating to recycling plans for
10 rubble landfills.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
12 Article - Environment
13 Section 9-1701(h) and (i)
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (1993 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

16 BY adding to
17 Article - Environment
18 Section 9-1705.1
19 Annotated Code of Maryland
20 (1993 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

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

23 **Article - Environment**

24 9-1701.

25 (h) "Recyclable materials" means those materials that:

26 (1) Would otherwise become solid waste for disposal in a refuse disposal
27 system; and

28 (2) May be collected, separated, or processed and returned to the
29 marketplace in the form of raw materials or products.

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1 (i) (1) "Recycling" means any process in which materials that would otherwise
2 become solid waste are collected, separated, or processed and returned to the
3 marketplace in the form of raw materials or products.

4 (2) "Recycling" includes composting.

5 9-1705.1.

6 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "APPROVING AUTHORITY" MEANS THE UNIT OF
7 GOVERNMENT IN A LOCAL JURISDICTION RESPONSIBLE FOR SOLID WASTE
8 MANAGEMENT WITHIN THE LOCAL JURISDICTION.

9 (B) ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 1996, A PERMIT HOLDER OF A RUBBLE
10 LANDFILL SHALL SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT AND THE APPROVING AUTHORITY
11 A RECYCLING PLAN FOR THE ON-SITE OR OFF-SITE RECYCLING OF RECYCLABLE
12 MATERIALS.

13 (C) THE RECYCLING PLAN MAY NOT BE IMPLEMENTED UNTIL THE PERMIT
14 HOLDER RECEIVES THE APPROVAL OF THE APPROVING AUTHORITY.

15 (D) A PERMIT HOLDER SHALL SEPARATE AND RECYCLE ALL RECYCLABLE
16 MATERIALS TO THE EXTENT LEGALLY ALLOWED AND ECONOMICALLY FEASIBLE.

17 (E) ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1 OF EACH YEAR, A PERMIT HOLDER SHALL
18 SUBMIT AN ANNUAL REPORT TO THE DEPARTMENT AND THE APPROVING
19 AUTHORITY SPECIFYING THE AMOUNT OF RECYCLING PERFORMED AT THE
20 LANDFILL.

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
22 June 1, 1996.