

CF SB 629

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CHAPTER ____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Environment - Newsprint Recycling**

3 FOR the purpose of altering certain requirements for recycled content in certain
4 newspapers and telephone directories; requiring that the Newsprint Recycling
5 Board only meet at the request of the Secretary; and generally relating to newsprint
6 recycling.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article - Environment
9 Section 9-1707(c) and (h)(1) and 9-1709(c)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (1996 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

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

14 **Article - Environment**

15 9-1707.

16 (c) (1) To satisfy the recycled content percentage requirement of this section
17 for a calendar year, at least the percentage specified in paragraph (2) of this subsection,
18 by weight, of the total newsprint used by the publisher during that calendar year for
19 newspapers distributed in the State shall be recycled materials.

20 (2) The recycled content percentage requirement is:

21 (i) 12% for 1992;

22 (ii) 12% for 1993;

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1 (iii) 20% for 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, AND 1999;

2 (iv) 25% for [1995] 2000;

3 (v) 30% for [1996] 2001 AND 2002;

4 (vi) 35% for [1997] 2003 AND 2004; and

5 (vii) 40% for [1998] 2005 and all subsequent calendar years.

6 (h) (1) (I) There is a Newsprint Recycling Board in the Department.

7 (II) THE NEWSPRINT RECYCLING BOARD SHALL MEET ONLY AT
8 THE REQUEST OF THE SECRETARY.

9 9-1709.

10 (c) (1) To satisfy the recycled content percentage requirement of this section
11 for a calendar year, at least the percentage specified in paragraph (2) of this subsection,
12 by weight, of the total directory stock used by the publisher during that calendar year for
13 telephone directories distributed in the State shall be recycled materials.

14 (2) The recycled content percentage requirement is:

15 (i) 12% for 1994;

16 (ii) 15% for 1995;

17 (iii) 20% for 1996, 1997, 1998, AND 1999;

18 (iv) 25% for [1997] 2000;

19 (v) 30% for [1998 and 1999] 2001 and 2002; and

20 (vi) [40%] 35% for [2000] 2003 AND 2004;

21 (VII) 40% FOR 2005 and all subsequent calendar years.

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
23 October 1, 1997.