BY: Delegate Hubbard

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 599, AS AMENDED
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1
        On page 1 of the bill, in line 13, strike "filed and maintained" and substitute "filed, maintained, and available to the public"; and in the same line, after "circumstances;" insert "requiring certain assessments to be prepared and presented to certain persons;".

AMENDMENT NO. 2
        On page 13 of the bill, in line 27, before "ON" insert "(A)"; and after line 31, insert:

        "(B) (1) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31 OF EACH YEAR, THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT AND THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE, SHALL:

                (I) ASSESS THE PRESENCE OF NUTRIENTS IN EACH WATERSHED OF THE STATE, THE ACTIVITIES THAT CONTRIBUTE NUTRIENTS TO THAT WATERSHED, AND THE LEVEL OF IMPAIRMENT, IF ANY, OF THE WATERSHED;

                (II) PUBLISH THE RESULTS OF THE ASSESSMENT; AND

                (III) PROVIDE A COPY OF THE DOCUMENT TO THE GOVERNOR AND, SUBJECT TO § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

                (2) AT THE TIME OF SUBMISSION, THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT SHALL ALSO PROVIDE TO THE GOVERNOR AND, SUBJECT TO § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THE REPORTS ON WATER QUALITY SUBMITTED TO THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY UNDER § 303 OF THE FEDERAL CLEAN WATER ACT.".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 10 of the bill, after line 3, insert:

"(3) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MAKE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW COPIES OF ALL NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT PLANS MAINTAINED UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION.".

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2 of the Environmental Matters Committee Amendments (HB0599/179588/1), in line 4 of Amendment No. 2, after "A" insert "JOINT"; and in the same line, after "DEPARTMENT" insert "AND THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT".

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2 of the Environmental Matters Committee Amendments, in Amendment No. 2, in lines 6 and 8, in each instance, strike "A" and substitute "AN IMPLEMENTED"; and in line 17, strike "SHALL" and substitute "MAY".