

HOUSE BILL 502

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**ENROLLED BILL**

-- Environmental Matters/Economic and Environmental Affairs --

Introduced by **Delegates Redmer, Weir, ~~and Ports~~ Ports, Klausmeier, Boutin, Baldwin, and Stern**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this  
\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock, \_\_\_\_ M.

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Speaker.

CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Ambient Air Monitoring Data - Public Access**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring certain air monitoring data to be made publicly  
4 available in a certain manner ~~by a certain date~~ on or before a certain date and  
5 each year thereafter; allowing the data to be presented in a certain form;  
6 defining a term; and generally relating to air quality and information access.

7 BY adding to  
8 Article - Environment  
9 Section 2-103.2  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (1996 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

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**Article - Environment**

2 2-103.2.

3 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "AMBIENT AIR MONITORING DATA" MEANS MEASURED  
4 CONCENTRATIONS OF AIR POLLUTANTS, INCLUDING AIR POLLUTANTS FOR WHICH  
5 THERE ARE NO ESTABLISHED AMBIENT AIR QUALITY STANDARDS OR EMISSION  
6 STANDARDS, OBTAINED FROM AN AMBIENT AIR MONITOR ESTABLISHED BY THE  
7 DEPARTMENT.

8 (B) ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2000 *AND EACH YEAR THEREAFTER*, THE  
9 DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE PUBLIC ACCESS TO ALL AIR MONITORING DATA IN  
10 THE STATE THROUGH THE INTERNET.

11 (C) AMBIENT AIR MONITORING DATA PROVIDED UNDER THIS SECTION:

12 (1) MAY BE IN SUMMARY FORM; AND

13 (2) SHALL INCLUDE ALL VALIDATED AMBIENT AIR MONITORING DATA  
14 ~~OBTAINED DURING THE CURRENT YEAR AND THE PREVIOUS YEAR.~~ FOR THE 2 MOST  
15 RECENT CALENDAR YEARS FOR WHICH DATA ARE AVAILABLE.

16 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
17 October 1, 1999.