

HOUSE BILL 502

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By: **Delegates Redmer, Weir, ~~and Ports~~ Ports, Klausmeier, Boutin, Baldwin,
and Stern**

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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; allowing the data to be
5 presented in a certain form; defining a term; and generally relating to air
6 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:

14 **Article - Environment**

15 2-103.2.

16 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "AMBIENT AIR MONITORING DATA" MEANS MEASURED
17 CONCENTRATIONS OF AIR POLLUTANTS, INCLUDING AIR POLLUTANTS FOR WHICH
18 THERE ARE NO ESTABLISHED AMBIENT AIR QUALITY STANDARDS OR EMISSION
19 STANDARDS, OBTAINED FROM AN AMBIENT AIR MONITOR ESTABLISHED BY THE
20 DEPARTMENT.

1 (B) ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2000, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE
2 PUBLIC ACCESS TO ALL AIR MONITORING DATA IN THE STATE THROUGH THE
3 INTERNET.

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

5 (1) MAY BE IN SUMMARY FORM; AND

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

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