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AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 331

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 8, after "conditions," insert "providing that a certain determination or finding made under this Act that a responsible person did not cause or contribute to certain contamination does not affect and may not be construed to affect any tort action against any person, or any third party action for recovery of removal costs;"; and after line 14, insert:

"BY adding to

Article 83A - Department of Business and Economic Development

Section 3-903(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, strike beginning with "BY" in line 21 down through the second "OR" in line 22.

On page 3, strike beginning with "WHO" in line 16 down through "DISCHARGE" in line 17.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 4, after line 5, insert:

"(D) A DETERMINATION OR FINDING THAT A RESPONSIBLE PERSON DID NOT CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTE TO THE CONTAMINATION DOES NOT AFFECT, AND MAY NOT BE CONSTRUED TO AFFECT, ANY TORT ACTION AGAINST ANY PERSON, OR ANY THIRD PARTY ACTION FOR RECOVERY OF REMOVAL COSTS."