

BY: Environmental Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 659

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line strike “and Redmer” and substitute “, Redmer, Zirkin, Carlson, Boutin, and Stern”; and in line 9, after “expenses;” insert “providing for the termination of this Act;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 18, strike “and”; and in line 23, after “Commission” insert “;

(13) one person from a law enforcement or security agency with specific experience in antiterrorism, appointed by the Governor; and

(14) one person from a Maryland educational research institution with specific expertise in water disinfection technologies, appointed by the Governor”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, in line 8, strike the second “and”; and in line 9, after “plans” insert “;

(10) study and assess the levels, potential health effects, and persistence of chlorination by-products in the water supply as they may affect individuals living and working in Maryland;

(11) assess alternative methods of disinfection that may involve lower levels of chlorination by-products in the water supply, and the potential health effects, both risks and benefits, that may accrue from using these alternative methods;

(12) study the environmental and public health issues surrounding the use of chlorine in drinking water and wastewater treatment;

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(13) perform a risk assessment and cost analysis relating to the use of chlorine in drinking water and wastewater treatment; and

(14) examine the security issues surrounding the use and storage of chlorine in drinking water and wastewater treatment”;

and in line 14, after “2002.” insert “It shall remain effective for a period of 3 years and, at the end of September 30, 2005, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.”.