

BY: Environmental Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 109

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “- Cathode Ray Tubes and Computer Products”; in the same line, before “Collection” insert “Electronic Waste”; strike beginning with “prohibiting” in line 4 down through “terms” in line 12 and substitute “requiring the Department of the Environment to study, in collaboration with certain persons and organizations, the establishment and implementation of a certain electronic waste collection system in the State by a certain date; requiring the Department to report certain recommendations to certain persons by certain dates; providing for the termination of this Act”; in line 12, strike “computer product and cathode ray tube” and substitute “electronic waste”; strike in their entirety lines 14 through 19, inclusive; and in line 21, strike “the Laws of Maryland read as follows”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 1 through 4, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 22 on page 1 through line 28 on page 4, inclusive, and substitute:

“(a) The Department of the Environment shall study, in collaboration with the persons and organizations listed in subsection (c), the establishment and implementation, by January 2006, of an electronic waste collection system in the State for the collection and recycling of electronic waste, including cathode ray tubes.

(b) As part of the study the Department shall consider:

(1) methods of funding the system;

(2) possible locations in the State for electronic waste collection facilities that are convenient and accessible for all the citizens of the State;

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(3) methods of collecting, packaging, and transporting electronic waste from the collection facilities to recycling facilities; and

(4) economic development opportunities arising from an electronic waste collection system.

(c) In conducting the study, the Department shall collaborate with representatives of:

(1) local governments;

(2) environmental groups;

(3) electronics manufacturers, retailers, and recyclers;

(4) the solid waste industry; and

(5) members of the Maryland General Assembly.

(d) The Department shall report its:

(1) recommendations for funding an electronic waste collection system in the State to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2004; and

(2) findings and recommendations for the establishment and implementation of an electronic waste collection system in the State to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on or before July 1, 2005.”.

On page 4, in line 30, after “2004.” insert “This Act shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and 1 month and, at the end of July 31, 2005, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.”.