

---

By: **Delegates Morhaim and Bobo**  
Introduced and read first time: January 16, 2004  
Assigned to: Environmental Matters

---

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2                                   **Solid Waste Disposal - Cathode Ray Tubes - Computer Monitors and**  
3                                   **Television Screens**

4 FOR the purpose of prohibiting any person from disposing of a cathode ray tube from  
5 a computer monitor or television screen in a sanitary landfill, solid waste  
6 transfer station, or incinerator on or after a certain date; prohibiting any  
7 sanitary landfill, solid waste transfer station, or incinerator from accepting a  
8 cathode ray tube for disposal, transfer for disposal, or incineration on or after a  
9 certain date; requiring the Office of Recycling to study methods of recycling  
10 cathode ray tubes; requiring the Office of Recycling to develop a method for the  
11 management and recycling of used cathode ray tubes; authorizing the  
12 Department of the Environment to adopt certain regulations; providing for  
13 certain penalties; and generally relating to the disposal of cathode ray tubes.

14 BY adding to  
15 Article - Environment  
16 Section 9-227.1  
17 Annotated Code of Maryland  
18 (1996 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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

21                                   **Article - Environment**

22 9-227.1.

23 (A) (1) ON OR AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2005, A PERSON MAY NOT DISPOSE OF A  
24 CATHODE RAY TUBE FROM A COMPUTER MONITOR OR TELEVISION SCREEN IN A  
25 SANITARY LANDFILL, SOLID WASTE TRANSFER STATION, OR INCINERATOR, OR AT  
26 ANY OTHER LOCATION NOT DESIGNATED FOR THE MANAGEMENT OR RECYCLING OF  
27 CATHODE RAY TUBES BY THE DEPARTMENT.

1           (2)     ON OR AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2005, A SANITARY LANDFILL, SOLID  
2 WASTE TRANSFER STATION, OR INCINERATOR MAY NOT ACCEPT ANY CATHODE RAY  
3 TUBE FOR DISPOSAL, TRANSFER FOR DISPOSAL, OR INCINERATION.

4     (B)     (1)     THE OFFICE OF RECYCLING SHALL STUDY FEASIBLE METHODS FOR  
5 THE MANAGEMENT AND RECYCLING OF USED CATHODE RAY TUBES.

6           (2)     IN STUDYING FEASIBLE METHODS FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND  
7 RECYCLING OF USED CATHODE RAY TUBES, THE OFFICE OF RECYCLING SHALL  
8 CONSULT WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE APPROPRIATE INDUSTRY, LOCAL  
9 GOVERNMENTS, THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, AND THE STATES IN  
10 THE REGION, INCLUDING:

11                   (I)     DELAWARE;

12                   (II)    THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA;

13                   (III)   PENNSYLVANIA;

14                   (IV)   VIRGINIA; AND

15                   (V)     WEST VIRGINIA.

16           (3)     THE OFFICE OF RECYCLING SHALL DEVELOP A METHOD FOR THE  
17 MANAGEMENT AND RECYCLING OF USED CATHODE RAY TUBES BY DECEMBER 31,  
18 2005.

19     (C)     (1)     THE DEPARTMENT MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THE  
20 PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

21           (2)     REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT IN ACCORDANCE  
22 WITH PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH  
23 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY GUIDELINES AND WITH METHODS  
24 DEVELOPED BY THE OFFICE OF RECYCLING UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS  
25 SECTION.

26     (D)     A PERSON WHO VIOLATES ANY PROVISION OF SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS  
27 SECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE  
28 NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000 FOR EACH VIOLATION.

29     SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
30 October 1, 2004.