

**HB1403/630917/1**

BY: Environmental Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1403  
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 4, after “counties” insert “unless the facility is located or constructed in accordance with a certain program; prohibiting a unit of State government from issuing a certain permit unless a certain finding is made by the Department of the Environment and the Department of Natural Resources”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 17, insert:

“Preamble

WHEREAS, The General Assembly finds that certain facilities pose inherent and heightened environmental and public safety risks when located in proximity to densely populated areas; and

WHEREAS, The General Assembly further finds that the substantial population and intense industrial and port-related development activity concentrated in the coastal areas of the Baltimore metropolitan region necessitate the increased scrutiny of certain facilities to ensure that environmental impacts are minimized in these areas for the protection of the general population and the integrity of the Chesapeake Bay; now, therefore,.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, in line 6, strike “(I)”; strike in their entirety lines 8 through 22, inclusive; and in line 27, after “SUBTITLE” insert “**UNLESS THE FACILITY IS CONSTRUCTED OR LOCATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATE’S FEDERALLY APPROVED COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM.**”

(Over)

(D) A UNIT OF STATE GOVERNMENT MAY NOT ISSUE A PERMIT FOR A FACILITY UNLESS THERE IS A FINDING BY THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES THAT THE PROPOSED FACILITY IS NOT INCONSISTENT WITH THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S DECLARATION OF PUBLIC POLICY UNDER § 8-1801 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(E) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A FACILITY THAT EXISTED AND WAS IN OPERATION ON JANUARY 1, 2007, INCLUDING ANY EXPANSION OR MODIFICATION OF THE FACILITY".