

# HOUSE BILL 559

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Assigned to: Environmental Matters

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Environment – Testing and Inspection for Volatile Organic**  
3 **Compounds – Public Schools**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of the Environment to adopt certain  
5 regulations to conduct certain testing and inspection of the water in certain  
6 public schools for volatile organic compounds; authorizing the Secretary to  
7 adopt certain regulations to provide for biannual testing and inspection of  
8 certain public schools under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the  
9 testing and inspection of public schools for volatile organic compounds.

10 BY adding to

11 Article – Environment

12 Section 9–407.1

13 Annotated Code of Maryland

14 (1996 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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

17 **Article – Environment**

18 **9–407.1.**

19 **(A) NOTWITHSTANDING § 9–407(B) OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE SECRETARY**  
20 **SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CONDUCT ANNUAL TESTING AND INSPECTION**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **OF THE WATER IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THE STATE THAT ARE SERVED BY WELL**  
2 **WATER FOR VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS.**

3 **(B) IF 2 CONSECUTIVE YEARS PASS DURING WHICH THE PRESENCE OF A**  
4 **VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUND IS NOT DETECTED, THE SECRETARY MAY**  
5 **ADOPT REGULATIONS TO PROVIDE FOR BIENNIAL TESTING AND INSPECTION OF**  
6 **THE PUBLIC SCHOOL THEREAFTER.**

7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
8 October 1, 2007.