

HOUSE BILL 559

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Assigned to: Environmental Matters

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Environment - ~~Testing and Inspection for Volatile Organic Compounds~~**
3 **Monitoring for Drinking Water Contaminants - Public Schools**

4 FOR the purpose of ~~requiring~~ authorizing the Secretary of the Environment to ~~adopt~~
5 ~~certain regulations to conduct certain testing and inspection of the water in~~
6 ~~certain public schools for volatile organic compounds; authorizing the Secretary~~
7 ~~to adopt certain regulations to provide for biannual testing and inspection of~~
8 ~~certain public schools under certain circumstances; require the monitoring of~~
9 the water in certain public schools for certain drinking water contaminants;
10 requiring the Department of the Environment to use certain assessments to
11 determine certain monitoring and sampling frequency; requiring a certain
12 supplier of water to provide notice to the Department of the Environment and
13 certain persons if certain drinking water contaminants exceed a certain health
14 advisory; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the
15 ~~testing and inspection of public schools for volatile organic compounds.~~
16 monitoring of public schools for drinking water contaminants.

17 BY adding to

18 Article - Environment

19 Section 9-407.1

20 Annotated Code of Maryland

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 (1996 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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

4 **Article - Environment**

5 **9-407.1.**

6 (A) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO DRINKING WATER CONTAMINANTS THAT
7 ARE NOT REGULATED BY DRINKING WATER REGULATIONS ADOPTED IN
8 ACCORDANCE WITH § 9-407 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

9 ~~(A) (B) (1) NOTWITHSTANDING § 9-407(B) OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE~~
10 ~~SECRETARY SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CONDUCT ANNUAL TESTING AND~~
11 ~~INSPECTION MAY REQUIRE MONITORING OF THE WATER IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN~~
12 ~~THE STATE THAT ARE SERVED BY WELL WATER FOR VOLATILE ORGANIC~~
13 ~~COMPOUNDS DEFINED AS A PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM FOR DRINKING WATER~~
14 ~~CONTAMINANTS THAT MAY POSE A RISK TO PUBLIC HEALTH ACCORDING TO A~~
15 ~~DRINKING WATER HEALTH ADVISORY ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT.~~

16 (2) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL USE SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENTS
17 AND THE POTENTIAL SOURCES OF CONTAMINATION TO DETERMINE THE
18 MONITORING AND SAMPLING FREQUENCY.

19 (C) IF A DRINKING WATER CONTAMINANT EXCEEDS A FEDERAL OR
20 DEPARTMENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY, A SUPPLIER OF WATER SHALL GIVE NOTICE
21 TO THE DEPARTMENT AND THE PERSONS SERVED BY THE SYSTEM IN
22 ACCORDANCE WITH § 9-410 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

23 ~~(B) IF 2 CONSECUTIVE YEARS PASS DURING WHICH THE PRESENCE OF A~~
24 ~~VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUND IS NOT DETECTED, THE SECRETARY MAY~~
25 ~~ADOPT REGULATIONS TO PROVIDE FOR BIENNIAL TESTING AND INSPECTION OF~~
26 ~~THE PUBLIC SCHOOL THEREAFTER.~~

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