

HOUSE BILL 59

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By: **The Speaker (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)**

Introduced and read first time: January 16, 2009

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Board of Well Drillers – Sunset Extension and Program Evaluation**

3 FOR the purpose of continuing the State Board of Well Drillers in accordance with the
4 provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending
5 to a certain date the termination provisions relating to the statutory and
6 regulatory authority of the Board; requiring that an evaluation of the Board and
7 the statutes and regulations that relate to the Board be performed on or before
8 a certain date; requiring the Board to submit a certain report on or before a
9 certain date; and generally relating to the State Board of Well Drillers.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
11 Article – Environment
12 Section 13–602
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2007 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

15 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
16 Article – State Government
17 Section 8–403(a)
18 Annotated Code of Maryland
19 (2004 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

20 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
21 Article – State Government
22 Section 8–403(b)(68)
23 Annotated Code of Maryland
24 (2004 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

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

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **Article – Environment**

2 13–602.

3 Subject to the Program Evaluation Act, the provisions of this title and all rules
4 and regulations adopted under this title creating the State Board of Well Drillers and
5 relating to the regulation of well drillers are of no effect and may not be enforced after
6 July 1, [2011] **2021**.

7 **Article – State Government**

8 8–403.

9 (a) On or before December 15 of the 2nd year before the evaluation date of a
10 governmental activity or unit, the Legislative Policy Committee, based on a
11 preliminary evaluation, may waive as unnecessary the evaluation required under this
12 section.

13 (b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (a) of this section, on or before
14 the evaluation date for the following governmental activities or units, an evaluation
15 shall be made of the following governmental activities or units and the statutes and
16 regulations that relate to the governmental activities or units:

17 (68) Well Drillers, State Board of (§ 13–201 of the Environment Article:
18 July 1, [2010] **2020**).

19 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That on or before October 1,
20 2009, the State Board of Well Drillers, in conjunction with the Department of the
21 Environment, shall submit a report to the Senate Education, Health, and
22 Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Environmental Matters Committee,
23 in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on its plans to:

24 (1) Increase fees and its ability to generate sufficient fee revenue for
25 the General Fund to cover its expenditures; and

26 (2) Track consumer complaints and related disciplinary actions within
27 a database or spreadsheet.

28 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
29 July 1, 2009.