

SENATE BILL 432

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By: **Senators Jacobs, Pipkin, Colburn, Glassman, Harris, and Stone**

Introduced and read first time: February 2, 2009

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Environment – Sewage Sludge Utilization – Zoning and Lane Use**
3 **Requirements**

4 FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Department of the Environment from issuing a
5 sewage sludge utilization permit for a site unless the site meets all county
6 zoning and land use requirements or ordinances; and generally relating to the
7 use of sewage sludge.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article – Environment
10 Section 9–233
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2007 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

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

15 **Article – Environment**

16 9–233.

17 (A) The Department may not issue a permit to install, materially alter, or
18 materially extend a sewage sludge composting facility or a sewage sludge storage
19 facility until:

20 (1) The sewage sludge composting facility or sewage sludge storage
21 facility meets all zoning and land use requirements of the county where the sewage
22 sludge composting or storage facility is to be located; and

23 (2) In the case of a sewage sludge composting facility, the Department
24 has a written statement that the board of county commissioners or the county council

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 of the county where the sewage sludge composting facility is to be located does not
2 oppose the issuance of the permit.

3 **(B) THE DEPARTMENT MAY NOT ISSUE A SEWAGE SLUDGE UTILIZATION**
4 **PERMIT UNLESS THE SEWAGE SLUDGE UTILIZATION SITE MEETS ALL ZONING**
5 **AND LAND USE REQUIREMENTS OR ORDINANCES OF THE COUNTY WHERE THE**
6 **SITE IS LOCATED.**

7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
8 October 1, 2009.