# HOUSE BILL 374 

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## A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

## Maryland Green Purchasing Committee - Recycling Study - Polystyrene Foam

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Green Purchasing Committee to study the cost and feasibility of recycling polystyrene foam products at State-owned facilities, including a certain cost comparison; requiring the Committee, on or before a certain date, to report its findings and recommendations to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee; and generally relating to recycling at State-owned facilities.

## SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That:

(a) (1) The Maryland Green Purchasing Committee shall study the cost and feasibility of recycling polystyrene foam products at State-owned facilities.
(2) The study required under paragraph (1) of this subsection shall include a comparison of the cost to procure recyclable alternatives to products made with polystyrene foam that are currently procured by the State to the cost to continue to use the polystyrene foam products and to recycle the products.
(b) On or before January 1, 2012, the Maryland Green Purchasing Committee shall report its findings and recommendations under the study required under subsection (a) of this section, in accordance with § $2-1246$ of the State Government Article, to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2011.

