

# HOUSE BILL 1073

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Assigned to: Environmental Matters

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Environment – Statute of Limitations – Administrative Penalties**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing a statute of limitations for an action for  
4 administrative penalties for certain violations of certain laws relating to the  
5 environment; and generally relating to laws relating to the environment.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
7 Article – Environment  
8 Section 1–303(a)  
9 Annotated Code of Maryland  
10 (2013 Replacement Volume)

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

13 **Article – Environment**

14 1–303.

15 (a) A criminal prosecution [or], A suit for a civil penalty, **OR AN ACTION**  
16 **FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY** by the Department for violation of any provision  
17 of this article or any rule, regulation, order, or permit adopted or issued under this  
18 article, shall be instituted within 3 years after the date the Department knew or  
19 reasonably should have known of the violation.

20 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
21 October 1, 2014.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

