AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 136
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in lines 13 and 14, strike “regulations to carry out the provisions of this Act” and substitute “certain regulations on or before a certain date”; in line 14, after “regulations” insert “proposed by the Department; requiring the Board to establish a certain code of ethics for certain individuals”; in line 17, strike “Board” and substitute “Department, in consultation with the Board,”; in the same line, after “set” insert “by regulation”; strike beginning with “requiring” in line 15 down through “systems;” in line 16; in line 17, strike “reasonable” and substitute “certain”; in the same line, strike “a”; in the same line, strike “purpose” and substitute “purposes”; in line 18, after “Board” insert “and the Department”; in line 26, after “requiring” insert “. subject to a certain exception.”; in line 27, after “State;” insert “authorizing a certain individual to continue to perform certain services until certain license requirements are established if the individual pays a certain fee to the Department;”; in line 28, after “by” insert “the Department by”; and in line 31, after “Board;” insert “specifying that a certain license is valid for a certain period of time.”.

On page 2, in line 17, after “Board;” insert “requiring the Department, in consultation with the Board, to adopt certain regulations on or before a certain date;”; and in line 22, strike “9–11A–22” and substitute “9–11A–21”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in line 3, after “DEFINITIONS” insert “; GENERAL PROVISIONS”.

On page 4, in line 18, after “FOLLOWING” insert “NINE”.

On page 5, in line 1, strike “SEVEN” and substitute “AT LEAST SIX”; in lines 6 and 20, in each instance, strike “SEVEN”; in line 29, strike “, CALVERT COUNTY,”
Charles County,” and substitute “AND”; and in line 30, strike “AND St. Mary’s County; AND” and substitute a semicolon.

On page 6, in line 4, after the second “County” insert “; AND

5. AT LEAST ONE SHALL BE FROM THE AREA THAT CONSISTS OF CALVERT COUNTY, CHARLES COUNTY, AND ST. MARY’S COUNTY;

and strike beginning with “ON” in line 5 down through “(5)” in line 7.

On page 7, in line 28, after “MASTER” insert “ON–SITE WASTEWATER”.

On page 8, in line 1, after “JOURNEY” insert “ON–SITE WASTEWATER”; in line 2, after “PUMPER;” insert “AND”; strike beginning with the third “AND” in line 4 down through “INSPECTOR;” in line 6; in line 20, after “TECHNOLOGY;” insert “AND”; and strike beginning with “LICENSING” in line 21 down through “(IV)” in line 24.

On page 9, in line 1, strike “AND”; in line 2, after “PROPOSED” insert “BY THE DEPARTMENT”; in line 3, after “SUBTITLE” insert “; AND

3. ESTABLISH A CODE OF ETHICS PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT FOR:

(I) MEMBERS OF THE BOARD; AND

(II) INDIVIDUALS LICENSED BY THE BOARD”;

in line 6, strike “2024” and substitute “2022”; strike in their entirety lines 14 through 26, inclusive; in line 27, strike “BOARD” and substitute “DEPARTMENT”; in the same
line, strike “DEPARTMENT” and substitute “BOARD”; and in line 28, after “SET” insert “BY REGULATION”.

On page 10, in lines 5 and 6, strike “9-11A-12” and “9-11A-12.”, respectively, and substitute “9-11A-11” and “9-11A-11.”, respectively.


AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 12, in line 1, after “(A)” insert “(1)”; in the same line strike “AN INDIVIDUAL MUST” and substitute “EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, AN INDIVIDUAL SHALL”; after line 3, insert:

“(2) (1) AN INDIVIDUAL WHO, AS OF JANUARY 1, 2020, HOLDS A LICENSE, REGISTRATION, OR CERTIFICATION TO PERFORM ON–SITE WASTEWATER SERVICES IN THE STATE MAY CONTINUE TO PERFORM ON–SITE WASTEWATER SERVICES UNTIL THE LICENSING REQUIREMENTS ARE ESTABLISHED BY THE DEPARTMENT BY REGULATION IF THE INDIVIDUAL:

1. ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2020, PAYS TO THE DEPARTMENT A FEE OF $150; AND

2. EVERY 2 YEARS THEREAFTER UNTIL THE DEPARTMENT SETS FEES IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 9–11A–10 OF THIS SUBTITLE, PAYS TO THE DEPARTMENT A RENEWAL FEE OF $150.
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(II)  THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PAY ALL FUNDS COLLECTED
UNDER PARAGRAPH (2)(I) OF THIS SUBSECTION INTO THE ON–SITE
WASTEWATER PROFESSIONALS FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER § 9–11A–11 OF THIS
SUBTITLE.”;

in line 5, after “ESTABLISHED” insert “BY THE DEPARTMENT”; in line 10, strike
“BOARD” and substitute “DEPARTMENT BY REGULATION”; after line 14, insert:

“(E) A LICENSE ISSUED BY THE BOARD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS
SUBTITLE IS VALID FOR 2 YEARS.”;

11A–17”, respectively, and substitute “9–11A–16.”, “9–11A–17”, “9–11A–17.”, and
“9–11A–16”, respectively.

11A–21.”, and “9–11A–22.”, respectively, and substitute “9–11A–18.”, “9–11A–19.”,
“9–11A–20.”, “9–11A–21.”, respectively; and in line 17, strike “AN” and substitute
“EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN § 9–11A–15(A) OF THIS SUBTITLE, AN”.

On page 14, in line 12, strike “9–11A–12” and substitute “9–11A–11”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 15, after line 4, insert:

“SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before July 1, 2023,
the Department of the Environment, in consultation with the State Board of On–Site
Wastewater Professionals, shall adopt regulations to implement Section 1 of this Act.
SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before July 1, 2024, all individuals who perform on-site wastewater services in the State shall be licensed by the State Board of On-Site Wastewater Professionals.”;

and in line 5, strike “4.” and substitute “6.”.