

HOUSE BILL 807

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Task Force to Review and Update the Maryland Recycling Act on Recycling**
3 **Policy and Recycling and Waste Systems in Maryland**

4 FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force ~~to Review and Update the Maryland~~
5 ~~Recycling Act on Recycling Policy and Recycling and Waste Systems in Maryland~~;
6 providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a
7 member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the
8 reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make
9 recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its
10 findings and recommendations to certain committees of the General Assembly on or
11 before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating
12 to the Task Force ~~to Review and Update the Maryland Recycling Act on Recycling~~
13 ~~Policy and Recycling and Waste Systems in Maryland~~.

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

16 (a) There is a Task Force ~~to Review and Update the Maryland Recycling Act on~~
17 ~~Recycling Policy and Recycling and Waste Systems in Maryland~~.

18 (b) The Task Force consists of the following members:

19 (1) one member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of
20 the Senate;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



- 1 (2) one member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the
2 House;
- 3 (3) the Secretary of the Environment, or the Secretary's designee; and
- 4 (4) the following members, appointed by the Secretary of the Environment:
- 5 (i) one representative of the Maryland Association of Counties;
- 6 (ii) ~~two representatives of large counties that are geographically~~
7 ~~diverse~~ one representative of each of the four largest counties, including Baltimore City;
- 8 (iii) ~~two~~ four representatives of small counties that are
9 geographically diverse;
- 10 (iv) one representative of the Maryland Municipal League;
- 11 (v) two representatives of municipalities;
- 12 (vi) one representative of the Maryland Recycling Network;
- 13 (vii) one representative of the Maryland Environmental Service;
- 14 (viii) one representative of the Commission on Environmental Justice
15 and Sustainable Communities;
- 16 (ix) one representative of the MD–DC Composting Committee of the
17 U.S. Composting Council;
- 18 (x) one representative of the Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal
19 Authority; ~~and~~
- 20 (xi) one representative of the Maryland Chapter of the National
21 Waste and Recycling Association;
- 22 (xii) one representative of Trash Free Maryland;
- 23 (xiii) one representative of Environment Maryland; and
- 24 (xiv) one representative of the Maryland Chapter of the Sierra Club.
- 25 (c) The Secretary of the Environment shall designate the chair of the Task Force.
- 26 (d) The Department of the Environment shall provide staff for the Task Force.
- 27 (e) A member of the Task Force:

1 (1) may not receive compensation as a member of the Task Force; but

2 (2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State
3 Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

4 (f) The Task Force shall:

5 (1) review the Maryland Recycling Act; ~~and~~

6 (2) study the recycling and waste systems in Maryland; and

7 (3) make recommendations on:

8 (i) how to update the Maryland Recycling Act; and

9 (ii) the feasibility of implementing regional recycling and waste
10 disposal facilities, including:

11 1. the locations of possible facility sites, including the
12 potential for reuse of abandoned facilities within the State;

13 2. cost-sharing opportunities;

14 3. developing service networks; and

15 4. advancing principles of zero waste.

16 (g) On or before ~~December 1, 2021~~ June 30, 2022, the Task Force shall report its
17 findings and recommendations to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental
18 Affairs Committee and the House Environment and Transportation Committee, in
19 accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government Article.

20 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
21 1, 2021. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and 6 months and, at the end of ~~June~~
22 ~~30, 2022~~ December 31, 2022, this Act, with no further action required by the General
23 Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.