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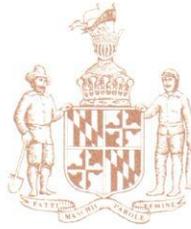
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House Bill1438

Agriculture-Processing of Poultry Litter for Alternative Use

Chairman Kumar Barve and members of the Environment & Transportation
Committee:

This legislation (HB 1438), is for the purpose of requiring the processing of poultry
litter for a certain alternative use, and to meet certain requirements as listed in
the legislation as follows:

- 1."Alternative Use" means the use of poultry litter or other animal manure in an
environmentally acceptable way, other than by direct land application in an
unprocessed form, as determined by the department.
- 2.The alternative use must convert the phosphorus content of unprocessed
poultry litter to a form that is not soluble in water and, therefore, incapable of
promoting aquatic algae growth.
- 3.Retain the phosphorus in a form that may be converted by the natural activity
of soil-resident microorganisms to be available to plants.
- 4.Retain the high nutrient value of poultry litter.
- 5.Any noxious odor from poultry litter shall be eliminated early in the process.
- 6.An alternative use product resulting from the processing of poultry litter may be
transported off the Delmarva Peninsula.

I ask for a favorable vote on HB 1438