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CHAPTER 667
(House Bill 1409)

AN ACT concerning

Well Permit Fees – Heat Pumps

FOR the purpose of specifying that the owner of a ground water pump system is required to pay only a single well permit fee, regardless of the amount of loops, for a well cluster associated with the heat pump system; and generally relating to well permit fees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Environment

Section 9-1307

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1993 Replacement Volume)

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

Article – Environment

9-1307.

(a) In applying for a permit to drill a well, the well driller shall give the Department any information the Department requires.

(b) As a condition to issuing a permit to drill a well, the Department may require that samples of the materials encountered in drilling the well be preserved and submitted to the Department.

(c) A county board of health may establish a permit fee to defray county expenses in inspecting and testing wells. The fee may be charged before a permit required under § 9-1306 of this subtitle is issued. The fee may not exceed \$80 per well OR \$80 PER CLUSTER OF WELLS TO BE USED EXCLUSIVELY TO TRANSFER HEAT TO OR FROM THE GROUND OR GROUNDWATER. A permit shall be valid for a period of 12 months from the date of issuance by the approved delegated permitting authority.

~~(D) THE OWNER OF A GROUND WATER HEAT PUMP SYSTEM IS REQUIRED TO PAY ONLY ONE WELL PERMIT FEE, REGARDLESS OF THE NUMBER OF LOOPS ASSOCIATED WITH THEIR GROUND WATER HEAT PUMP SYSTEM.~~

~~{(d)}~~~~(E)~~ A county board of health may waive a fee for a well that is drilled to replace a well not in conformity with the regulations adopted under § 9-1305 of this subtitle.