

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That if any word, phrase, clause, sentence or any part or parts of this Act shall be held unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction such unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity of the remaining parts of this Act or of any other section thereof.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1959.

Approved March 24, 1959.

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## CHAPTER 230

(House Bill 188)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 36 and 41 of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Natural Resources", sub-title "Water Pollution Control Commission", relating to the times for hearings, orders, and appeals by the Water Pollution Control Commission, and relating generally to water pollution control in this State.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Sections 36 and 41 of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Natural Resources", sub-title "Water Pollution Control Commission", be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

36. (a) It shall be the duty of the Commission to study, investigate and from time to time recommend ways and means of eliminating from the Waters of the State, so far as practicable, all substances and materials which pollute or tend to pollute the same and to recommend methods, as far as practicable, for preventing pollution as defined in Section 34 of this sub-title.

(b) The Commission is hereby authorized to encourage voluntary cooperation by the citizens of the State and by the industries, municipalities, counties, metropolitan districts and the State in restoring, preserving and maintaining the purity of the waters of the State, for the greatest benefit of all the people of the State, to coordinate and stimulate the activities of the several State agencies now concerned with water pollution; to enforce existing laws relating to the abatement of pollution of the waters of the State; to supplement and expand existing technical or other water pollution data by study, investigation, research or other means that may be available; to cooperate with, assist and aid other State agencies engaged in assembling, accumulating or developing additional data or information on water pollution; to cooperate with, assist and aid other State agencies in enforcing water pollution laws or regulations; to recommend standards for sewage or waste effluents

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EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.