

agencies relative to public policy and procedure necessary to correct water pollution conditions or violation of any of the laws of Maryland relating thereto; to establish such reasonable water quality standards or criteria for any of the waters of the State; keeping in mind the public use to which they are or may be put, as may be deemed necessary for the purpose of this subtitle; to cooperate with the responsible authorities of other states and federal government or any agencies thereof concerning policies, procedures and means to be employed to control, regulate or correct the pollution of any interstate waters and to recommend carrying out such procedures to the proper State agencies; to receive, administer, and expend such funds as are now or may become available for pollution control from the federal government or any agency thereof; and to recommend from time to time such legislative or administrative action as may be deemed necessary and desirable better to control the pollution of the waters of the State. The **[Commission]** *Department* shall have control of the pollution of all waters of the State of Maryland, except as hereinafter provided, which are or may be affected by waste disposal of municipalities, industries, public or private corporations, individuals, partnerships, associations or any other entity.

(d) The **[Commission]** *Department* shall have the authority to, and shall enforce the provisions of this subtitle and **[shall make and promulgate such rules and regulations and]** conduct such investigations as shall from time to time be deemed necessary to carry out the provisions of this subtitle. **[However, before finally adopting said rules and regulations, the Commission shall give at least thirty (30) days' notice, by publication, circular or otherwise, informing all persons who may be interested in said rules and regulations that the Commission will hear such persons on a certain day or days named in said notice for the purpose of receiving and considering suggestions before the final adoption of such rules and regulations. The said notice shall contain a copy of the proposed rules and regulations.]**

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The **[Commission]** *Department* shall be authorized to bring any appropriate action, in the name of the people of the State of Maryland, as may be deemed necessary in the discretion of said **[Commission]** *Department* to carry out the provisions of this subtitle and to enforce any and all laws relating to the pollution of the waters of the State, except as herein provided.

The **[Commission]** *Department* or any agent authorized by **[the Commission]** *it* to represent the **[Commission]** *Department* shall have the right to enter at all reasonable times in or upon any private or public property for the purpose of inspecting and investigating conditions relating to the pollution of any waters of the State. The **[Commission]** *Department* shall have the right to call upon any officer, board, department, commission, school, university or other State institutions and officers or employees thereof for any assistance deemed necessary to the carrying out of this subtitle.

It shall be the duty of the Department of Health, the **[Commission of Tidewater Fisheries]** *Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs*, the Department of Game and Inland Fish, the **[Department of Research and Education]** *Natural Resources Institute*, the **[Department of Geology, Mines and Water Resources]** *Maryland Geological Survey*,