

AND BEING OF A DURATION WHICH, FROM ANY SINGLE SOURCE OR IN COMBINATION WITH OTHER SOURCES, ARE, OR MAY BE PREDICTED WITH REASONABLE CERTAINTY TO BE INJURIOUS TO HUMAN, PLANT OR ANIMAL LIFE OR TO PROPERTY, OR WHICH UNREASONABLY INTERFERE WITH THE PROPER ENJOYMENT OF THE PROPERTY OF OTHERS BY REASON OF THE EMISSION OF ODORS, SOLIDS, VAPORS, LIQUIDS OR GASES, THROUGHOUT THE STATE AND IN SUCH AREAS OF THE STATE AS ARE AFFECTED THEREBY.

(B) THE TERM "BOARD" SHALL MEAN THE STATE BOARD OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE.

(C) THE TERM "COUNCIL" SHALL MEAN THE AIR QUALITY CONTROL ADVISORY COUNCIL.

(D) THE TERM "DEPARTMENT" SHALL MEAN THE MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

(E) THE TERM "PERSON" SHALL MEAN ANY INDIVIDUAL, GROUP OF INDIVIDUALS, FIRM, PARTNERSHIP, VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATION, OR PRIVATE, PUBLIC OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE, RESPONSIBLE FOR THE USE OF PROPERTY.

(F) THE TERM "SOURCE" SHALL MEAN ANY PROPERTY, REAL OR PERSONAL, OR PERSON CONTRIBUTING TO AIR POLLUTION.

(G) THE TERM "EMERGENCY" SHALL MEAN A SUDDEN, UNEXPECTED AND UNFORESEEN CONDITION OF SUCH PUBLIC GRAVITY AND EXIGENCY AS TO REQUIRE IMMEDIATE ACTION, OR A CONDITION WHICH IS PREDICTED WITH REASONABLE CERTAINTY TO REQUIRE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO CARRY OUT THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBTITLE.

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SUCH POSITIONS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT AS MAY BE DESIGNATED BY THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AS TECHNICAL AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS FOR THE OPERATION AND SUPPORT OF THE AIR QUALITY CONTROL PROGRAM SHALL BE UNCLASSIFIED POSITIONS AND SHALL RECEIVE SUCH SALARIES AS SHALL BE SET BY THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS. THE OTHER AIR QUALITY CONTROL PROGRAM EMPLOYEES SHALL BE CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES.

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(A) THE STATE OF MARYLAND INITIALLY SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO SIX SEPARATE AIR QUALITY CONTROL AREAS. THE SIX AREAS SHALL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

- (1) BALTIMORE METROPOLITAN AREA;
- (2) WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA;
- (3) CENTRAL MARYLAND AREA;
- (4) WESTERN MARYLAND AREA;
- (5) SOUTHERN MARYLAND AREA; AND
- (6) EASTERN SHORE AREA.