

DAYS, WITH EXTENSIONS FOR PERIODS NOT TO EXCEED FORTY-FIVE (45) DAYS, NOTWITHSTANDING THE FACT THAT THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT HAS NOT BEEN COMPLETED. ANY EXECUTIVE ORDER ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, NOTICE OF EACH EXTENSION, AND A STATEMENT OF JUSTIFICATION FOR THE ORDER OR EXTENSION SHALL BE MADE PUBLIC. THE ISSUANCE OF ANY ORDER OR EXTENSION UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, UNLESS THE ACTION IS IRREVOCABLE AND NOT SUBJECT TO SUBSEQUENT MODIFICATION, SHALL NOT IN ANY OTHER WAY AFFECT THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 451(A) OF THIS SUBTITLE, AND THE AGENCY SHALL PROCEED, WHILE THE ORDER OR EXTENSION IS IN EFFECT, WITH THE PREPARATION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND THE AGENCY REVIEW PROCESS.

(D) IF THE GOVERNOR FINDS, ON THE BASIS OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT, THAT A PROPOSED STATE ACTION, OR SOME PORTION OF SUCH ACTION, WILL THREATEN THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, HE MAY, BY EXECUTIVE ORDER, DECLARE THAT SUCH ACTION, OR PORTION OF SUCH ACTION, MAY NOT BE UNDERTAKEN FOR A PERIOD OF NOT TO EXCEED NINETY (90) DAYS NOTWITHSTANDING THE FACT THAT THE AGENCY IS PREPARED TO TAKE THE ACTION AND IS OTHERWISE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAW. ANY EXECUTIVE ORDER ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND A STATEMENT OF JUSTIFICATION FOR THE ORDER SHALL BE MADE PUBLIC.]]

II452. ANNUAL STATE AGENCY ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW REPORTS.

EACH STATE AGENCY THAT TAKES ACTIONS THAT SIGNIFICANTLY AFFECT THE QUALITY OF THE ENVIRONMENT SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AND THE PEOPLE OF MARYLAND, NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 1, 1973, THAT SHALL REVIEW AGENCY DECISION-MAKING IN LIGHT OF THE POLICY SET FORTH IN THIS SUBTITLE. THESE REPORTS SHALL BE PREPARED ANNUALLY AND SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO:

(A) A REVIEW OF PRESENT STATUTORY AUTHORITY, ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS, AND CURRENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE PURPOSE OF DETERMINING WHETHER THERE ARE ANY DEFICIENCIES OR INCONSISTENCIES THEREIN THAT PROHIBIT OR INHIBIT FULL COMPLIANCE WITH THE PURPOSES AND PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE;

(B) PROPOSALS FOR SUCH MEASURES AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO BRING THEIR AUTHORITY AND POLICIES INTO CONFORMITY WITH THE INTENT, PURPOSES, AND PROCEDURES SET FORTH IN THIS SUBTITLE; AND

(C) A REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN OR PROPOSED BY THE AGENCY IN ORDER TO ENSURE FULL COMPLIANCE WITH THE PURPOSES AND PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.]]

II453. JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT.