

CHAPTER 617

(House Bill 949)

AN ACT concerning

Water, Wastewater, and Industrial Wastewater Works -
Employee Certification Requirements

FOR the purpose of expanding the legislative intent to include operators and industrial operators of certain works; defining certain terms; expanding the regulatory authority of the Departments of Health and Mental Hygiene and Natural Resources; expanding the authority of the Board of Certification; requiring the use of certain certified operators at water and wastewater works and industrial waste-water works after a certain date; requiring the advice and consent of the Senate to certain Gubernatorial appointments; allowing the use of uncertified operators presently employed for a certain period; establishing a penalty for failure to employ certified operators at certain works; clarifying language; and generally relating to water, wastewater, and industrial wastewater works.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 43 - Health
Section 406A
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1971 Replacement Volume and 1979 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 43 - Health

406A.

(a) It is the intention of the General Assembly in the enactment of this section to establish a certification program for superintendents AND OPERATORS of waterworks, waste-water works and industrial waste-water works so as to further protect the public health and the quality of the waste-receiving waters, and to prevent pollution.

(b) For purposes of this section, the following definitions shall apply:

(1) "Waterworks" shall mean those facilities used in the procurement, treatment, storage, pumping or