

(House Bill 1882)

AN ACT concerning

Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority

FOR the purpose of adding a new ~~article to~~ Subtitle 7 of Title 3, Environmental Programs, of the Natural Resources Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland to be titled "Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority Act", to provide for the creation of the Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority, the purpose of which is to assist certain participating political subdivisions of this State, other public entities and the private sector of the economy to provide adequate waste disposal facilities (including those which provide for energy generation and resource recovery) and facilities for the generation of steam, electricity, or other forms of energy from fuels which are derived from or are otherwise related to waste disposal facilities by providing a coordinating agency and a financing vehicle for such facilities; creating a body politic and corporate to be known as the "Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority" which is constituted a public instrumentality of the State of Maryland and shall be deemed to be organized and commence its activities when there shall have been filed with the Secretary of State and the Department of Legislative Reference resolutions of participation of at least two of the following ~~three~~ four counties: Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, Baltimore County, Anne Arundel County, and Harford County; providing that the Authority shall consist of one member from each participating county, ~~the executive director of the Authority and the Treasurer of the State of Maryland~~ and the director of the Maryland Environmental Service ex officio and that the member from each participating county shall be appointed by the Governor from a list of persons submitted by such county; providing for an executive director, general counsel, and staff of such Authority; ~~prohibiting the executive director from voting except in the case of a tie vote of the other members present,~~ authorizing the Authority to enter into such agreements with the Maryland Environmental Service as the Authority may deem necessary or appropriate to provide for the assumption of all or any part of the Authority's activities by the Maryland Environmental Service; stating that, without in any way limiting the discretion of the Authority, the Authority and the Maryland Environmental Service should cooperate to the maximum extent practicable in effecting a regional waste disposal program in the participating counties; providing certain limitations with respect to projects located outside of the participating counties; authorizing the Authority to undertake certain planning functions and other responsibilities in accordance with Section 3-106 of Title 3 of the Natural Resources
