

WHEREAS, The most logical department for the consolidation of State environmental regulatory functions is the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; now, therefore,

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDERED BY THE GOVERNOR OF MARYLAND PURSUANT TO ARTICLE II, SECTION 24, OF THE CONSTITUTION OF MARYLAND, That:

Article 25 - County Commissioners

171. Approval of form of petition and report; notice of hearing; report open to inspection.

The county commissioners shall, at their first meeting after receiving such petition and report, examine them, and if they are found not to be in due form and in accordance with the law they shall be referred back to the petitioners to be corrected and returned to the county commissioners at a subsequent meeting. If the petition and report are found to be in due form and in accordance with the law, the county commissioners shall appoint a day for a public hearing upon the report and petition and shall give not less than ten days' notice of the time and place of the hearing. Such notice shall be published in a newspaper or newspapers having a general circulation in the county or counties in which the lands in the watershed association are located. During this time a copy of the report shall be on file in the office of the clerk of county commissioners, and shall be open to the inspection of any landowners or other person interested, and the notices shall so state. A notice of this and all subsequent hearings shall be sent to the State Department of Agriculture, State Soil Conservation Committee, [and Water Resources Administration] THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE at least ten days prior to the date of such hearing.

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

469. Junkyard or automobile graveyard adjoining body of water.

(a) Any person or organization that owns, maintains or causes to be maintained a junkyard or automobile graveyard, as defined in § 8-801 of the Transportation Article, lawfully in existence on January 1, 1972, which adjoins any river, stream, or other body of water shall store and maintain any trash, junk, automobiles, automobile tires, other automobile parts and other refuse in such manner as to prevent the dumping, depositing or transport of this matter into the waters of the State, as defined in Title 8 of the Natural Resources Article; inform the [Water Resources