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- (C) (1) ANY LICENSE HELD UNDER THIS SECTION MAY BE SUSPENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT IF: (I) DUE TO PERSISTENT OR REPEATED FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS UNDER THIS SUBTITLE, PERMIT REVOCATION PROCEDURES UNDER § 7-507(C) OF THIS SUBTITLE HAVE BEEN BROUGHT FOR ANY OPERATION OWNED OR CONTROLLED BY THE LICENSEE; AND (II) CONTINUED OPERATION BY THE LICENSEE AT ANY OTHER LOCATION IS DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO BE A CONTRIBUTING FACTOR IN THE FAILURE TO COMPLY. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION, CONTINUED OPERATION BY THE LICENSEE AT ANY OTHER LOCATION SHALL INCLUDE OPERATION BY THE LICENSEE DIRECTLY, OR OPERATION BY ANY CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP, OR ASSOCIATION OF WHICH THE LICENSEE IS AN OFFICER, DIRECTOR, OR PRINCIPAL OWNER, AND WHICH INVOLVES USE OF EQUIPMENT OR RESOURCES EMPLOYED ON THE PERMIT AREA IN VIOLATION UNDER PARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS SUBSECTION.
- (2) THE DEPARTMENT ALSO MAY SUSPEND THE LICENSE OF ANY CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP, OR ASSOCIATION THAT IS FOUND TO BE A CONTRIBUTING FACTOR IN THE PERSISTENT OR REPEATED FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS UNDER THIS SUBTITLE, WHICH FAILURE CAUSED THE DEPARTMENT TO BRING PERMIT REVOCATION PROCEDURES UNDER § 7-507(C) OF THIS SUBTITLE.
- (3) (I) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE A LICENSEE WITH NOTICE AND AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A HEARING BEFORE IT MAY SUSPEND A LICENSE UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
- (II) UNLESS STAYED BY THE DEPARTMENT OR BY A REVIEWING COURT, ANY DECISION BY THE DEPARTMENT TO SUSPEND A LICENSE SHALL BE EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1981.

Approved April 28, 1981.

CHAPTER 158

(House Bill 387)

AN ACT concerning

Strip Mining

FOR the purpose of amending the strip mining subtitle of the Natural Resources Article to make those changes required by the Office of Surface Mining of the U.S. Department of the Interior as a condition of approval of the Maryland Program under the federal Surface