

BY adding to

Article - Natural Resources
Section 8-1413.4
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1974 Volume and 1980 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 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows: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

[689B.

(a) It is unlawful to establish any plant or facility to be used for the reprocessing or recovery of nuclear fuel, blanket, or related material within this State.

(b) It is unlawful to establish any permanent storage facility, burial ground or other installation for the long-term storing of waste nuclear materials or their by-products while awaiting radioactive decay, within the State. This subsection does not prohibit temporary storage of used nuclear plant fuel until June 30, 1980, if the Secretary determines that the storage is:

(1) Necessary;

(2) In the public interest;

(3) Unlikely to cause any risk of leakage or release of radiation which is harmful to the health of the public as determined by all scientific tests accepted as reliable by the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission; and

(4) Within a facility designed and regularly tested so as to safely accomplish the long-term storage of nuclear waste material.]

NUCLEAR WASTE DISPOSAL

689B.

(A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(B) "HIGH-LEVEL NUCLEAR WASTES" MEANS:

(1) SPENT NUCLEAR REACTOR FUEL;

(2) LIQUID WASTES RESULTING FROM THE OPERATION OF THE FIRST CYCLE SOLVENT EXTRACTION SYSTEM, OR ITS EQUIVALENT, AND THE CONCENTRATED WASTES FROM SUBSEQUENT EXTRACTION CYCLES, OR THEIR EQUIVALENT, IN A FACILITY FOR REPROCESSING SPENT NUCLEAR REACTOR FUEL; OR