

(Senate Bill 31)

## AN ACT concerning

Hazardous Substances or Low-Level Nuclear Waste -  
Penalties for Illegal Disposal

FOR the purpose of changing the offense for the illegal disposal of hazardous substances or low-level nuclear waste from a misdemeanor to a felony; and altering the term-of-prescribed-confinement--by--a--certain--amount--penalties for commission of the offense.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural-Resources Health - Environmental  
Section 8-1413-2 (p) 7-265  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1974-Volume-and-1981-Supplement)  
(As enacted by Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ (S.B. 810) of the Acts  
of the General Assembly of 1982)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland (As enacted by Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ (S.B. 810) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1982) read(s) as follows:

## Article - Natural-Resources Health - Environmental

8-1413-2-

(p)--There-is-a-class-of-offenses--under--this--section which--shall-be-{misdemeanors,}-FELONIES,-each-punishable-by a-fine-not-exceeding-\$25,000-\$100,000,-or-by-confinement--in the--penitentiary--for-up-to-{3}-5-years,-or-both--Each-day on-which-a-violation-occurs-constitutes-a-separate--offense. Violations--of--the--provisions--of--this--section--or--any--rule, regulation,-order,-or--permit--issued--pursuant--thereto--which are--not--enumerated--as--offenses--under--this--subsection--shall be--subject--to--other--penalties--established--by--this--subtitle. Persons--convicted--of--the--following--offenses--are--punishable under--this--subsection;

(1)--Any--person--who--stores--or--dumps--discharges, abandons,--or--otherwise--disposes--of,--or--who--authorizes, directs,--or--permits--any--person--to--store--or--dump,--discharge, abandon,--or--otherwise--dispose--of,--a--designated--hazardous substance--or--low--level--nuclear--waste--in--any--place--other--than a--facility--for--which--a--permit--has--been--issued--by--the Department--pursuant--to--this--subsection;

(2)--Any--person--who--transports--for--storage--or disposal--or--who--authorizes,--directs,--or--permits--any--person to--transport--for--storage--or--disposal--a--designated--hazardous