

(h) (1) The State Superintendent annually shall review how each county board's current year approved budget and actual prior year budget align with the master plan and any updates to the master plan. This review may be based on the information required to be submitted by the county board under subsection (b)(4) of this section and any other information required by the State Superintendent.

(2) The State Superintendent annually shall report the results of the budget review by [December 1] DECEMBER 31 to the Governor, the county governing body, and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2005.

Approved April 26, 2005.

CHAPTER 227

(House Bill 658)

AN ACT concerning

**Department of the Environment - Surface Mining - ~~Denial~~ Issuance of
Permits - Prohibition**

FOR the purpose of ~~requiring, instead of authorizing, the Department of the Environment to deny surface mining permits on making a certain finding prohibiting the Department of the Environment from issuing a surface mining permit until the appropriate county has completed a certain review and supplied the Department with a certain written statement;~~ and generally relating to ~~the denial~~ restricting the issuance of surface mining permits.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Environment

Section 15-810(b), (c), and (d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Environment

Section 15-810(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: