

FOR the purpose of protecting, restoring, and improving the water quality of the Chesapeake Bay and other waters of the State by increasing the State share of funding for the construction of certain sewerage systems eligible for financial assistance under the Federal Clean Water Act, by authorizing full State financial assistance for the construction of sewerage systems under certain circumstances, by authorizing a pretreatment loan and loan guarantee program for certain industrial users, by authorizing a grant program to counties and municipalities to reduce water pollution from storm water runoff in existing urbanized areas, by authorizing grants to governmental entities to reduce water pollution from agriculturally related nonpoint sources, and eliminating a certain recordation requirement in a certain cost share program with landowners; authorizing the adoption of certain rules and regulations to assist in the administration of State financial assistance programs authorized under this Act; providing certain limitations on financial assistance authorized under this Act including terms and conditions on certain State grants, loans, and loan guarantees, maximum dollar amounts of State assistance, and specifying the types of costs eligible for coverage; altering the purposes of the Sanitary Facilities Fund; defining certain terms; creating a Water Pollution Control Fund for the administration of certain programs as authorized by this Act and to be financed by funds authorized by specific water quality loan authorizations or by funds appropriated in the State budget; and relating generally to State financial assistance programs to control water pollution and improve water quality.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Agriculture
Section 8-701(b) and (c) and 8-704(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1974 Volume and 1983 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - Environmental
Section 9-203(b) and 9-302
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1982 Volume and 1983 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Health - Environmental
Section 9-301(e) and (f); and 9-345 through 9-351 to be under the new part "Part VI. Water Pollution Control Fund"