

CHAPTER 177

(House Bill 207)

AN ACT concerning

Power Plant Siting and Research Program -  
Environmental Surcharge

FOR the purpose of extending the termination date of the environmental surcharge imposed on certain generated electric energy to a certain date; and generally relating to the environmental surcharge for the Power Plant Siting and Research Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources  
Section 3-302(b)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1983 Replacement Volume and 1987 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 78 - Public Service Commission Law  
Section 54B(c)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1980 Replacement Volume and 1987 Supplement)

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

Article - Natural Resources

3-302.

(b) (1) The Secretary annually shall coordinate the preparation of a budget required to carry out the provisions of this subtitle. Upon approval of the budget by the General Assembly, the Public Service Commission shall establish the amount of the surcharge per kilowatt hour for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1972, and for each subsequent fiscal year.

(2) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this subtitle, the amount of the surcharge for each account [in fiscal years 1987, 1988, 1989, and 1990] may not exceed the lesser of 0.15 mill per kilowatt hour or \$1,000 per month and the surcharge may not continue beyond fiscal year [1990] 1995.

(3) The Comptroller shall maintain the method of collection of the surcharge from the companies and the