SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the provisions of this Act regarding phosphorus removal do not apply until July 1, 1990 to any sewage treatment plant that on January 1, 1988 is not meeting a 1.0 milligram per liter phosphorus removal level and that was conducting a pilot program for the biological nutrient removal of phosphorus under an agreement with, and under the authorization of, the Department of the Environment.

## SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

- (a) The provisions of this Act regarding nitrogen removal at the Parkway Sewage Treatment Plant do not apply if, on or before October 1, 1991, the Parkway Plant begins biological nutrient removal so as to achieve a level of nitrogen removal of not more than 7.0 milligrams per liter of wastewater effluent during the period of April 1 through October 15;
- [b] This exemption applies only if the operator of the Parkway Plant achieves the lowest level of nitrogen removal technically possible with biological nitrogen removal and makes every reasonable attempt to lower the level with the biological nutrient removal process to 3.0 milligrams per liter during April 1 through October 15; and
- (c) If substantial State funding (at least 50% of the cost) is made available to accomplish the chemical removal of nitrogen to a level of 3.0 milligrams per liter of wastewater effluent, the exemptions in this Section do no apply and the Parkway Plant shall be required to meet the nitrogen requirements of this Section within 2 1/2 years of the notification of funding availability.

SECTION 2.  $\frac{4}{1}$  S. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1988.

Approved May 27, 1988.

CHAPTER 539

(House Bill 279)

AN ACT concerning

## Maryland Clean Air Fund

FOR the purpose of establishing a Maryland Clean Air Fund; providing that certain fees, funds, penalty payments, and fines shall be paid into the Fund; specifying that, subject