operation of a water supply system that is used only to supply water for purposes other than human or animal consumption.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1989.

Approved April 11, 1989.

CHAPTER 26

(Senate Bill 139)

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Cancer Registry - Data Exchange

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Department of the Environment to provide certain cancer information to certain out-of-state agencies under certain circumstances.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Environment Section 1-405 Annotated Code of Maryland (1987 Replacement Volume and 1988 Supplement)

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

Article - Environment

1-405.

- (a) The Secretary shall investigate:
- (1) The influence of locality, employment, habit, and other conditions on health; and
- (2) The causes of diseases and mortality to the extent that they may relate to environmental factors.
- (b) The Secretary may adopt procedures to obtain information about cancers that are caused by carcinogens and toxic substances and about the incidence of these diseases.
- (C) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, THE DEPARTMENT MAY PROVIDE PATIENT-IDENTIFYING INFORMATION FOR