SUBTITLE TO INSTALL, MATERIALLY ALTER, OR MATERIALLY EXTEND A STRUCTURE USED FOR STORAGE OR DISTRIBUTION OF ANY TYPE OF SEWAGE SLUDGE, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE APPLICATION, AMENDMENT, OR RENEWAL.

(C) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING IN ~~CARROLL COUNTY OR FREDERICK COUNTY~~ *THE AFFECTED SUBDIVISION* IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT.

~~(D) THE DEPARTMENT MAY HOLD A CONSOLIDATED HEARING IN CARROLL COUNTY OR FREDERICK COUNTY.~~

(D) *IF* *MORE* *THAN* *1* *COUNTY* *OR* *MUNICIPAL* *CORPORATION* *WILL* *BE* *AFFECTED* *BY* *THE* *GRANTING* *OF* *THE* *SLUDGE* *STORAGE* *PERMIT* *APPLICATION,* *THE* *DEPARTMENT* *MAY* *HOLD* *A* *CONSOLIDATED* *HEARING* *IN* *ANY* *AFFECTED* *SUBDIVISION.*

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(a) A sewage sludge utilization permit expires on the date the Department sets at the time of issuance or renewal, unless the permit is renewed for another term as provided in this section.

(b) [The] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, THE Department may renew a sewage sludge utilization permit if the permit holder:

(1) Is in compliance with the permit and all appropriate regulations of the Department;

(2) Submits to the Department a renewal application on the form that the Department requires; and

(3) Pays the renewal application fee that the Department requires.

(C) ~~IN CARROLL COUNTY AND FREDERICK COUNTY,~~ THE DEPARTMENT MAY NOT RENEW OR AMEND A PERMIT TO INSTALL, MATERIALLY ALTER, OR MATERIALLY EXTEND A STRUCTURE USED FOR STORAGE OR DISTRIBUTION OF ANY TYPE OF SEWAGE SLUDGE UNLESS THE DEPARTMENT HOLDS A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE RENEWAL OR AMENDMENT, AS PROVIDED IN § 9-234.1 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act ~~shall take effect July 1, 1989~~ *is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.*