

CHAPTER 639

(House Bill 9)

AN ACT concerning

Review of License and Permit Applications – Timing of Review by the Department of the Environment

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Department of the Environment to publish, on or before a certain date, a list of licenses and permits that can be issued within a certain period of time after receiving a completed application; requiring the Department to publish, on or before a certain date, expected license and permit review times for certain programs; requiring the Department to offer, on or before a certain date, certain assistance and information; requiring the Department to provide certain notice to an applicant for certain permits; requiring the notice to contain certain information if requested by the applicant; authorizing certain applicants to apply to the Department for a refund of an application fee under certain circumstances; requiring the Secretary of the Department of the Environment or the Secretary's designee to review a refund request and make a certain determination; requiring the Department to provide a certain applicant with certain information if the Secretary denies a refund request; requiring the Department to report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the issuance of licenses and permits by the Department of the Environment.

BY adding to

Article – Environment

Section 1-607

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

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

Article – Environment

1-607.

(A) THIS SUBSECTION APPLIES TO APPLICATIONS FOR ALL LICENSES AND PERMITS ISSUED, OR REQUIRED TO BE REISSUED, BY THE DEPARTMENT.

~~(1) ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 1997, IN CONSULTATION WITH INTERESTED PARTIES, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PUBLISH A LIST OF LICENSES AND PERMITS THAT THE DEPARTMENT CAN ISSUE WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER RECEIVING A COMPLETED APPLICATION.~~