

ACTION UNDER § 4-413 OF THE ENVIRONMENT ARTICLE AND THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE WHICH MAY USE THE INFORMATION FOR STATISTICAL PURPOSES.

(2) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL:

(I) MAINTAIN THE INFORMATION IN THE MANNER THAT PROTECTS THE IDENTITY OF THE PERSON FOR WHOM THE PLAN IS PREPARED; AND

(II) MAKE ANY INFORMATION FROM A PLAN AVAILABLE TO THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT ~~FOR THE PURPOSE OF WATER QUALITY PERMIT COMPLIANCE OR ENFORCEMENT ACCORDING TO~~ TO SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT OF A COMPLIANCE OR ENFORCEMENT CASE FOR PURPOSES OF ADDRESSING AN EXISTING WATER QUALITY PROBLEM IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENTS AND THE STATE SOIL CONSERVATION COMMITTEE.

[(b)](C) As a condition to extending any benefit of this title to any land not owned or controlled by the State or any of its agencies, or to performing work on them, the supervisors may require contributions in money, services, materials, or otherwise to any operations conferring benefits, and may require the land occupier to enter into and perform agreements or covenants concerning the permanent use of the land as tends to prevent or control erosion.

[(c)](D) The supervisors of two or more districts may cooperate with one another in the exercise of any powers conferred by this title.

[(d)](E) No provision relating to acquisition, operation, or disposition of property by other public bodies is applicable to a district, unless the provision specifically so states.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1999.

Approved May 13, 1999.

CHAPTER 448

(House Bill 711)

AN ACT concerning

Crimes - Aggravated Cruelty to Animals - Animals Used by a Law Enforcement Unit

FOR the purpose of ~~making it the felony of aggravated cruelty to animals to intentionally mutilate, torture, cruelly beat, or cruelly kill an animal, cause the cruel killing or intentional mutilation of an animal, use certain animals for dogfighting or cockfighting, or intentionally inflict bodily harm, permanent disability, or death on an animal owned or used by a law enforcement unit;~~