

~~C. FOR A BUILDING WITH EXTERIOR PLANTS, ALL EXTERIOR PLANTS SHALL BE TOLERANT OF CLIMATE, SOILS, AND NATURAL WATER AVAILABILITY AND MAY NOT RECEIVE WATERING FROM MUNICIPAL POTABLE WATER AFTER A PERIOD OF ESTABLISHMENT IS COMPLETE;~~

~~3. REGULATIONS ESTABLISHING STANDARDS FOR BUILDINGS LOCATED IN AREAS THAT DO NOT HAVE SEWERS OR THAT HAVE DESIGNATED STORM SEWERS; AND~~

~~4. REGULATIONS SPECIFYING THE METHODOLOGY BY WHICH TAXPAYERS SHALL DEMONSTRATE COMPLIANCE WITH SUBSECTION (J)(3) AND (4) OF THIS SECTION.~~

~~(4) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1, 2001, THE ADMINISTRATION, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT, SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS WITH RESPECT TO TENANT SPACE, SPECIFYING THE METHODOLOGY BY WHICH TAXPAYERS SHALL DEMONSTRATE COMPLIANCE WITH SUBSECTION (K)(2) OF THIS SECTION.~~

~~(5) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1, 2001, THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE, SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS WITH RESPECT TO TENANT SPACE, SPECIFYING THE METHODOLOGY BY WHICH TAXPAYERS SHALL DEMONSTRATE COMPLIANCE WITH SUBSECTION (K)(3) OF THIS SECTION.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2001 and shall be applicable to all taxable years beginning after December 31, ~~2001~~ 2002.

Approved May 18, 2001.

CHAPTER 621

(House Bill 8)

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Credit for Green Buildings

FOR the purpose of providing for credits against the State income tax for certain costs for construction or rehabilitation of buildings and certain equipment to meet certain energy efficiency and environmental standards; allowing certain unused credit amounts to be carried forward to certain taxable years; ~~providing for a tax credit for the cost of purchasing and installing nitrogen removal technology under certain circumstances;~~ providing for issuance of certain initial credit ~~component~~ certificates by the Maryland Energy Administration; limiting the annual and aggregate amount of initial credit ~~component~~ certificates that the Administration may issue; prohibiting the Administration from issuing an initial credit ~~component~~ certificate after a certain date; requiring a taxpayer claiming a credit to obtain and file with the income tax return a certain