

(1) review the effectiveness of this Act; and (b) make any recommendations for changes to this Act to improve efforts to reduce the use of mercury and the incidence of mercury in the waste stream

(2) report on legislation enacted in other states to require labeling of mercury and products that contain mercury and to specifically regulate mercury and products containing mercury in the waste stream; and

(3) make any recommendations for changes to this Act to improve efforts to reduce the use of mercury and the incidence of mercury in the waste stream.

(c) The report required to be submitted on or before October 1, 2003 in this section shall also:

(1) include information regarding the products, processes, and components of products and processes that contain mercury and are likely to be disposed of in wastewater, landfills, or incinerators;

(2) denominate the contribution of the various sources of mercury in each disposal method; and

(3) recommend priorities for the regulation of use and disposal of each source of mercury in order to minimize mercury contamination in the environment.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Children's Environmental Health and Protection Advisory Council shall, by October 1, 2002:

(a) conduct a survey of primary and secondary schools in the State that are regulated under § 6-906 of the Environment Article as enacted by this Act to determine how many schools have elemental or chemical mercury that will be prohibited for use under this Act; and

(b) report to the Department of the Environment, the Governor, and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on:

(1) the number and location of primary and secondary schools in the State that are regulated under this Act that have elemental or chemical mercury; and

(2) any recommendations to create a program to collect the mercury from these schools and dispose of it in accordance with regulations adopted by the Department of the Environment.

SECTION 3. 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2001.

Approved May 18, 2001.