

(b) On or before January 1, 2005, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall issue a final report defining the specific eligibility criteria and the status of implementation of the Employed Persons with Disabilities Program to the Governor, and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee, the Senate Finance Committee, the House Appropriations Committee, and the House Health and Government Operations Committee.

SECTION 5-3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, ~~except as provided in Section 4 of this Act,~~ this Act shall take effect July 1, 2003.

May 22, 2003

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed Senate Bill 393 – Sediment Control, Stormwater Management, and Wetlands Programs – Violations – Criminal and Civil Penalties.

This bill expands existing criminal and civil penalty provisions related to violations of specified sediment erosion and control, stormwater management, and wetlands and riparian rights provisions administered by the Maryland Department of the Environment. For violations of specified sediment control and stormwater management provisions, the bill also authorizes courts to order restoration of areas unlawfully disturbed.

House Bill 715, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 393.

Sincerely,
Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.
Governor

Senate Bill No. 393

AN ACT concerning

Sediment Control, Stormwater Management, and Wetlands, ~~and~~ Water Pollution Control Programs – Violations – Criminal and Civil Penalties

FOR the purpose of altering the amounts of certain criminal penalties applicable to certain sediment control, stormwater management, and tidal ~~and nontidal~~ wetlands program violations; authorizing certain courts to order restoration of certain areas in the event of certain criminal violations of certain sediment control and stormwater management programs; altering the amounts of certain