

(d) The Department shall submit to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the House Environmental Matters Committee and the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee:

(1) By December 1, 2002, an interim report on the status of ongoing research and all interim findings available to the Department, including findings to date of the National Academy of Sciences review of the Suminoe oyster; and

(2) By December 1, 2004, a final report on all findings available to date from the National Academy of Sciences review and from studies conducted under this Act.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2004.

Approved May 26, 2004.

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**CHAPTER 477**

**(Senate Bill 686)**

AN ACT concerning

**Estates - Election for Modified Administration**

FOR the purpose of altering the requirements for electing modified administration of an estate as the requirements relate to certain trusts; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an election for modified administration of an estate.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Estates and Trusts

Section 5-702

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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

**Article - Estates and Trusts**

5-702.

An election for modified administration may be filed by a personal representative of an estate within 3 months from the date of appointment, if:

(1) All residuary legatees of a testate decedent and the heirs at law of an intestate decedent are limited to the:

- (i) Decedent's personal representative; and