

(C) ~~AFTER DECEMBER 1, 2008~~ ~~JULY 1, 2009~~ JANUARY 1, 2010, A PERSON MAY NOT USE, SELL, MANUFACTURE, OR DISTRIBUTE FOR USE OR SALE WITHIN THE STATE ANY DETERGENT ~~USED FOR USE IN A HOUSEHOLD DISHWASHING MACHINE, WHETHER COMMERCIAL OR HOUSEHOLD,~~ THAT CONTAINS MORE THAN 0.5 PERCENT PHOSPHORUS BY WEIGHT.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, by December 1, 2008, the Maryland Department of the Environment shall report to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on:

- (1) the prospective availability of detergents containing 0.5 percent phosphorus or less, by weight, for use in commercial dishwashing machines; and
- (2) a recommended date by which the use of such detergents in commercial dishwashing machines may be reasonably required.

SECTION ~~2~~ 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2007.

Approved by the Governor, April 24, 2007.

CHAPTER 188

(House Bill 1131)

AN ACT concerning

Environment - Phosphorus - Dishwashing Detergent

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from using, selling, manufacturing, or distributing for sale a certain dishwashing detergent that contains greater than a certain amount of phosphorus after a certain date; requiring the Department of the Environment to report to the Governor and General Assembly by a certain date; repealing certain obsolete language; and generally relating to phosphorus in dishwashing detergents.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article - Environment
Section 9-1502
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1996 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)