

Section 7-201(k), (m), (s), and (x), 7-208(e)(8) and (9) and (f), 7-220, 7-221, 7-222(a), 7-266, and 7-267(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1987 Replacement Volume and 1990 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Environment  
Section 7-208(e)(10) and 7-265(d)  
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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article - Environment**

7-201.

(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(k) "Federal act" means the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, AS AMENDED THROUGH JANUARY 1, 1990.

(m) [(1) "Hazardous substance" means any substance that:

(i) Conveys toxic, lethal, or other injurious effects or which causes sublethal alterations to plant, animal, or aquatic life;

(ii) May be injurious to human beings; or

(iii) Persists in the environment.

(2) "Hazardous substance" includes any matter identified as a "hazardous substance" by the Environmental Protection Agency.] "HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE" MEANS ANY SUBSTANCE:

(1) DEFINED AS A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE UNDER § 101(14) OF THE FEDERAL ACT; OR

(2) IDENTIFIED AS A CONTROLLED HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE BY THE DEPARTMENT IN THE CODE OF MARYLAND REGULATIONS.

(s) "Release" means the addition, introduction, leaking, spilling, emitting, discharging, escaping, or leaching of any [controlled] hazardous substance into the environment.

(x) (1) "Responsible person" means any person who:

(i) Is the [nongovernmental] owner or operator of a vehicle or a site containing a [controlled] hazardous substance;