

HOUSE BILL 399

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By: **Delegates Foley, Allen, Edelson, Embry, Feldmark, Guyton, Lehman, Patterson, Ruth, Shetty, Stewart, Taylor, Terrasa, and Watson**
Introduced and read first time: January 27, 2023
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Gasoline–Powered Leaf Blowers – State Purchase and Use – Prohibition**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting the State from purchasing a gasoline–powered leaf blower
4 beginning on a certain date; prohibiting the State from using a gasoline–powered
5 leaf blower beginning on a certain date; and generally relating to the purchase and
6 use of gasoline–powered leaf blowers by the State.

7 BY adding to

8 Article – Environment

9 Section 3–601 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Gasoline–Powered Leaf
10 Blowers”

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2013 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)

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

15 **Article – Environment**

16 **SUBTITLE 6. GASOLINE–POWERED LEAF BLOWERS.**

17 **3–601.**

18 **(A) BEGINNING JULY 1, 2023, THE STATE MAY NOT PURCHASE A**
19 **GASOLINE–POWERED LEAF BLOWER.**

20 **(B) BEGINNING JULY 1, 2025, THE STATE MAY NOT USE A**
21 **GASOLINE–POWERED LEAF BLOWER.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
2 1, 2023.