

HB0990/783920/1

BY: Environment and Transportation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 990
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 9, after “emissions;” insert “requiring the Department of the Environment to make certain considerations and consult with certain stakeholders related to the regulation of the production of cement;”; and after line 20, insert:

“BY adding to

Article – Environment

Section 2–1205(h)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)” .

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, after line 16, insert:

“(H) (1) AS PART OF THE CONSIDERATION OF ANY REGULATION OF THE PRODUCTION OF CEMENT UNDER THIS SECTION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONSIDER:

(I) THE EXTENT TO WHICH CEMENT MANUFACTURING IS AN ENERGY INTENSIVE AND TRADE EXPOSED INDUSTRY;

(II) CREDIT FOR EARLY ACTION INVESTMENTS MADE BY CEMENT PRODUCERS TO REDUCE EMISSIONS;

(III) THE ADOPTION OF POLICIES THAT ENCOURAGE, FACILITATE, AND OFFER FINANCIAL INCENTIVES FOR THE USE OF ALTERNATIVE FUEL SOURCES;

(IV) THE AVAILABILITY AND COST OF MATURE GREENHOUSE GAS ABATEMENT TECHNOLOGIES; AND

(V) ADVANCING POLICIES THAT PROVIDE FINANCIAL INCENTIVES TO OFFSET THE COSTS OF INSTALLING AND TRANSITIONING TO GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS ABATEMENT TECHNOLOGIES.

(2) IN CONSIDERING THE FEASIBILITY OF REGULATION AND THE ITEMS UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONSULT WITH IMPACTED CEMENT PRODUCERS AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS.”.