

ANOTHER PARTY OR ENTITY AND CONTAINING SUCH HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES;  
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~~(4)~~ (IV) ACCEPTS OR ACCEPTED ANY CONTROLLED HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE FOR TRANSPORT TO A DISPOSAL OR TREATMENT FACILITY OR ANY SITES SELECTED BY THE PERSON.

(2) "RESPONSIBLE PERSON" DOES NOT INCLUDE:

(I) A PERSON WHO PURCHASES A SITE CONTAINING A CONTROLLED HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE WITHOUT KNOWLEDGE OF THE EXISTENCE OF THE CONTROLLED HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE AT THE SITE; OR

(II) A HOLDER OF A MORTGAGE OR DEED OF TRUST WHO ACQUIRES TITLE THROUGH FORECLOSURE TO A SITE CONTAINING A CONTROLLED HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE.

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(a) All expenditures from the State Hazardous Substance Control Fund made by the Department under § 7-220 [(b)] (B) (1), (2), (3), (4), and (5) of this subtitle in response to a release or a threatened release of a controlled hazardous substance at a particular site shall be reimbursed to the Department for the State Hazardous Substance Control Fund by the [person] responsible PERSON for the release or the threatened release.

(b) (1) In addition to any other legal action authorized by this subtitle, the Attorney General may bring an action to recover costs from any RESPONSIBLE person who fails to make a reimbursement as required under subsection (a) of this section.

(2) (1) IN AN ACTION UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION TO RECOVER COSTS, THE STATE SHALL SEEK RECOVERY AGAINST ALL RESPONSIBLE PERSONS.

(II)--REIMBURSEMENT--SHALL--BE--APPORTIONED THE STATE SHALL SEEK RECOVERY ON AN APPORTIONMENT BASIS IN ACCORDANCE WITH A PERSON'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE SITUATION OR PROBLEM, WHEN THERE IS A REASONABLE BASIS FOR DETERMINING THE CONTRIBUTION OF A RESPONSIBLE PERSON.

(III) REIMBURSEMENT IN ANY OTHER CASE SHALL NOT BE APPORTIONED.

(c) The Department may recover costs for the fund resulting from releases or threatened releases of controlled hazardous substances whether or not the controlled hazardous substance was placed at the site, released, or threatened to be released before July 1, 1985.

(D) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, A PERSON WHO IS LIABLE FOR A RELEASE OR THREATENED RELEASE OF A CONTROLLED HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE IS SUBJECT TO THE UNIFORM CONTRIBUTION AMONG TORT-FEASORS ACT