

~~(2) ANY MONEYS EXPENDED FROM THE FUND UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE ADMINISTERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH §§ 9-245 THROUGH 9-251 OF THIS TITLE.~~

9-276.

(a) [All] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION, ALL expenditures from the State Used Tire Cleanup and Recycling Fund made by the Department under § 9-275(a)(1) of this subtitle in response to the storage or disposal of used tires at a particular site shall be reimbursed to the Department for the State Used Tire Cleanup and Recycling Fund by the owner or operator of the site or any other person who caused the tires to be stored or disposed of at the site in violation of this subtitle.

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

(c) The Department may recover costs incurred by the Department under § 9-275(a)(1) of this subtitle whether or not the discarded tires were disposed of or stored at the site before July 1, 1989.

(D) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO EXPENDITURES OF \$10,000 OR LESS RELATED TO REMOVAL, RESTORATION, OR REMEDIAL ACTION IN RESPONSE TO THE DISPOSAL OR STORAGE OF SCRAP TIRES IN VIOLATION OF THIS SUBTITLE IF:

(1) THE OWNER OF THE SITE ACQUIRED THE PROPERTY CONTAINING THE SCRAP TIRES PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 2000 BY INHERITANCE OR BEQUEST AT THE DEATH OF THE TRANSFEROR; AND

(2) THE TIRES WERE STORED OR DISPOSED OF AT THE SITE PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 2000.

#### **Chapter 627 of the Acts of 1997**

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 1 of this Act shall take effect October 1, 1997[, and Section 2 of this Act shall take effect July 1, 2000].

SECTION ~~2~~ 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 2 of Chapter 627 of Acts of the General Assembly of 1997 be repealed.

SECTION ~~3~~ 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Department of the Environment shall:

(a) accelerate the expenditure of funds in the State Used Tire Cleanup and Recycling Fund in accordance with § 9-275 of the Environment Article. Accelerated expenditures from the Fund shall include expenditures for:

(1) cleaning up the remaining illegal scrap tire stockpiles;