

**Legislative Bills of Interest**  
**Bay Restoration Fund Advisory Committee**  
*(May 18, 2011)*

Number	Description	Status
HB 57 SB 539	<p><b>Bay Restoration Fund - Authorized Uses:</b> Effective October 1, 2011, would authorize the Bay Restoration Fund to be used to pay the cost of connecting properties served by onsite sewage disposal systems to municipal wastewater facilities, contingent upon the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The grant amount will be limited to the sum of the costs of upgrading the individual septic systems.</li> <li>2. Connection must be made to an ENR treatment facility.</li> </ol>	Passed
HB 177 SB 160	<p><b>On-Site Sewage Disposal Systems - Nitrogen Removal:</b> Effective October 1, 2011, would prohibit the installation of an on-site sewage disposal system in the State in the watersheds of the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays to service a newly constructed building unless the system utilizes nitrogen removal technology.</p>	Did not pass (session ended without vote)
HB 347 SB 372	<p><b>Nitrogen Removal Technology - Evaluation and Ranking:</b> Effective June 1, 2011, would require the Department of the Environment to evaluate and rank nitrogen removal technologies for on-site sewage disposal systems to advise local governments and citizens of the State of approved technologies that qualify for funding under the Bay Restoration Fund.</p>	Passed
HB 532	<p><b>Bay Restoration Fund - Fee Exemption:</b> Effective October 1, 2011, would require that users of major wastewater facilities (the 67 plants) be exempt from paying a Bay Restoration Fee.</p>	Withdrawn
HB 1164 SB 916	<p><b>Bay Restoration Fund - Talbot County Demonstration Projects:</b> Effective October 1, 2011, would authorize the use of Bay Restoration funds for specified demonstration projects in Talbot County for the extension of sewer from a publicly owned wastewater facility.</p>	Unfavorable by the Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (EHE)