

SENATE BILL 263

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By: **Baltimore City Senators (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)**

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Assigned to: Finance

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore City – AIDS Prevention Sterile Needle and Syringe Exchange**
3 **Program**

4 FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that the AIDS Prevention Sterile Needle
5 and Syringe Exchange Pilot Program in Baltimore City provide for the exchange
6 of used hypodermic needles and syringes for sterile hypodermic needles and
7 syringes on a “one–for–one” basis; repealing as obsolete a certain date by which
8 the Director for the Program, with the advice and approval of a certain
9 committee, is required to develop certain operating procedures; altering a
10 requirement that Program operating procedures be developed to provide for the
11 exchange of hypodermic needles and syringes to injecting users in a certain
12 manner; and generally relating to AIDS prevention and the use of hypodermic
13 needles and syringes in Baltimore City.

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
15 Article – Health – General
16 Section 24–802 and 24–805(b)
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

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

21 **Article – Health – General**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 24-802.

2 (a) There is an AIDS Prevention Sterile Needle and Syringe Exchange Pilot
3 Program in the Baltimore City Health Department.

4 (b) The Program shall:

5 (1) Provide for the [one-for-one] exchange by participants of used
6 hypodermic needles and syringes for sterile hypodermic needles and syringes; and

7 (2) Operate in accordance with the procedures approved, with the
8 advice and approval of the oversight committee, by the Commissioner of Health.

9 24-805.

10 (b) [On or before July 1, 1994, with] **WITH** the advice and approval of the
11 oversight committee, the Director shall develop:

12 (1) Program operating procedures for the furnishing and
13 [one-for-one] exchange of hypodermic needles and syringes to injecting drug users;

14 (2) A community outreach and education program; and

15 (3) A protocol for providing a linkage for Program participants to
16 substance abuse treatment and rehabilitation.

17 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
18 October 1, 2014.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.