

# 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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## A BILL ENTITLED

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**

22 24–802.

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

25 (b) The Program shall:

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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

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

5 24-805.

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

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

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

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

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