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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Immunities and Prohibited Actions - State Boards - State Board of**  
3 **Veterinary Medical Examiners**

4 FOR the purpose of providing certain immunity from civil liability to a person who  
5 gives information to the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners; and  
6 generally relating to immunity and the Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners.

7 BY adding to  
8 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
9 Section 5-721  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

14 **Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

15 5-721.

16 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "BOARD" MEANS THE STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY  
17 MEDICAL EXAMINERS.

18 (B) A PERSON WHO ACTS IN GOOD FAITH AND WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE  
19 JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD IS NOT CIVILLY LIABLE FOR GIVING INFORMATION TO  
20 THE BOARD OR OTHERWISE PARTICIPATING IN ITS ACTIVITIES.

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take  
2 effect October 1, 1998.