

SENATE BILL 54

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Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Health – General – Vaccine for Prevention of Cervical Cancer**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring certain students to receive a certain vaccination by a
4 certain time; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt
5 certain regulations in accordance with certain requirements concerning the
6 adoption of certain rules and regulations regarding the immunization of certain
7 children; and generally relating to the vaccine for prevention of cervical cancer.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article – Health – General
10 Section 18–104
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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

15 **Article – Health – General**

16 18–104.

17 (a) The Secretary shall investigate, if feasible, means to prevent, treat, and
18 cure cancer.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (b) The Secretary may adopt procedures to obtain information about cancers
2 that are caused by carcinogens and about the incidence of these cancers.

3 (c) **(1) BY SEPTEMBER 2008, A FEMALE CHILD ENROLLED IN GRADE**
4 **6 SHALL BE ADMINISTERED A VACCINE THAT CONTAINS MATERIALS INTENDED**
5 **TO PREVENT THE OCCURRENCE OF CERVICAL CANCER.**

6 **(2) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL IMPLEMENT THE REQUIREMENTS**
7 **OF THIS SUBSECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED**
8 **IN § 7-403 OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE CONCERNING THE ADOPTION OF**
9 **RULES AND REGULATIONS REGARDING THE IMMUNIZATION OF CHILDREN**
10 **ENTERING SCHOOL.**

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
12 June 1, 2007.