

SENATE BILL 521

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By: **Senators Montgomery, Benson, Madaleno, Pinsky, Raskin, and Young**

Introduced and read first time: January 31, 2013

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Agriculture – Meat and Poultry – Antibiotic Use – Labeling**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring certain meat and poultry derived from certain animals
4 that are raised, processed, and sold in the State to bear a certain label
5 identifying certain antibiotic use; and generally relating to labeling meat and
6 poultry.

7 BY adding to

8 Article – Agriculture

9 Section 4–401 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 4. Meat and Poultry
10 Raised, Processed, and Sold in the State”

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2007 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

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

15 **Article – Agriculture**

16 **SUBTITLE 4. MEAT AND POULTRY RAISED, PROCESSED, AND SOLD IN THE**
17 **STATE.**

18 **4–401.**

19 **(A) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO MEAT OR POULTRY THAT IS:**

20 **(1) INTENDED FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION;**

21 **(2) PROCESSED IN THE STATE; AND**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(3) SOLD IN THE STATE.**

2 **(B) MEAT OR POULTRY THAT IS DERIVED FROM AN ANIMAL THAT WAS**
3 **FED OR ADMINISTERED ANTIBIOTICS WHILE BEING RAISED IN THE STATE**
4 **SHALL BEAR A LABEL IDENTIFYING EACH ANTIBIOTIC THAT WAS FED OR**
5 **ADMINISTERED TO THE ANIMAL.**

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
7 October 1, 2013.