

# HOUSE BILL 1629

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Criminal Procedure – Maryland Animal Abuse Registry**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services  
4 to establish the Maryland Animal Abuse Registry; requiring the Registry to be  
5 updated in a certain manner and to include certain information; requiring a certain  
6 person convicted of certain crimes involving animals to register with a certain county  
7 sheriff; exempting a person from registration under certain circumstances; requiring  
8 a court to order a defendant convicted of an animal abuse crime to participate in and  
9 pay for certain counseling; requiring a person who is required to register under this  
10 Act to register within a certain period of time; requiring a registrant to provide  
11 certain information for registration; requiring the county sheriff to obtain a certain  
12 digital image from a person registering under this Act; requiring a registrant to  
13 update certain information in a certain manner; establishing that a certain  
14 registration shall stay in effect for a certain period of time; requiring the county  
15 sheriff to forward certain registration information to the Department; requiring a  
16 registrant to pay an annual registration fee; requiring a county sheriff to remit  
17 certain fees in a certain manner; establishing the Animal Abuse Registry Fund;  
18 providing for the distribution of money in the Fund; requiring certain Registry  
19 information to be made available in a certain manner; prohibiting a person who is  
20 subject to registration under this Act from knowingly failing to register or provide  
21 accurate information when registering; prohibiting a person who is subject to  
22 registration under this Act from possessing or coming into contact with a certain  
23 animal; establishing a penalty for a violation of this Act; defining certain terms;  
24 making conforming changes; and generally relating to the establishment of an  
25 animal abuse registry.

26 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
27 Article – Criminal Law  
28 Section 10–604 through 10–607.1 and 10–608  
29 Annotated Code of Maryland  
30 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 BY adding to  
2 Article – Criminal Law  
3 Section 10–627  
4 Annotated Code of Maryland  
5 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

6 BY adding to  
7 Article – Criminal Procedure  
8 Section 11–1101 through 11–1109 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 11.  
9 Maryland Animal Abuse Registry”  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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

14 **Article – Criminal Law**

15 10–604.

16 (a) A person may not:

17 (1) overdrive or overload an animal;

18 (2) deprive an animal of necessary sustenance;

19 (3) inflict unnecessary suffering or pain on an animal;

20 (4) cause, procure, or authorize an act prohibited under item (1), (2), or (3)  
21 of this subsection; or

22 (5) if the person has charge or custody of an animal, as owner or otherwise,  
23 unnecessarily fail to provide the animal with:

24 (i) nutritious food in sufficient quantity;

25 (ii) necessary veterinary care;

26 (iii) proper drink;

27 (iv) proper air;

28 (v) proper space;

29 (vi) proper shelter; or

1 (vii) proper protection from the weather.

2 (b) [(1)] A person who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and on  
3 conviction is subject to imprisonment not exceeding 90 days or a fine not exceeding \$1,000  
4 or both.

5 [(2)] As a condition of sentencing, the court may order a defendant convicted  
6 of violating this section to participate in and pay for psychological counseling.

7 (3) As a condition of probation, the court may prohibit a defendant from  
8 owning, possessing, or residing with an animal.]

9 10–605.

10 (a) A person may not knowingly attend a deliberately conducted dogfight as a  
11 spectator.

12 (b) A person may not knowingly attend as a spectator a deliberately conducted  
13 event that uses a fowl, cock, or other bird to fight with another fowl, cock, or other bird.

14 (c) [(1)] A person who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and on  
15 conviction is subject to imprisonment not exceeding 1 year or a fine not exceeding \$2,500  
16 or both.

17 [(2)] As a condition of sentencing, the court may order a defendant convicted  
18 of violating this section to participate in and pay for psychological counseling.]

19 10–606.

20 (a) A person may not:

21 (1) intentionally:

22 (i) mutilate;

23 (ii) torture;

24 (iii) cruelly beat; or

25 (iv) cruelly kill an animal;

26 (2) cause, procure, or authorize an act prohibited under item (1) of this  
27 subsection; or

28 (3) except in the case of self–defense, intentionally inflict bodily harm,  
29 permanent disability, or death on an animal owned or used by a law enforcement unit.

1 (b) [(1)] A person who violates this section is guilty of the felony of aggravated  
2 cruelty to animals and on conviction is subject to imprisonment not exceeding 3 years or a  
3 fine not exceeding \$5,000 or both.

4 [(2)] As a condition of sentencing, the court may order a defendant convicted  
5 of violating this section to participate in and pay for psychological counseling.

6 (3) As a condition of probation, the court may prohibit a defendant from  
7 owning, possessing, or residing with an animal.]

8 10-607.

9 (a) In this section, "baiting" means using a dog to train a fighting dog or to test  
10 the fighting or killing instinct of another dog.

11 (b) A person may not:

12 (1) use or allow a dog to be used in a dogfight or for baiting;

13 (2) arrange or conduct a dogfight;

14 (3) possess, own, sell, transport, or train a dog with the intent to use the  
15 dog in a dogfight or for baiting; or

16 (4) knowingly allow premises under the person's ownership, charge, or  
17 control to be used to conduct a dogfight or for baiting.

18 (c) [(1)] A person who violates this section is guilty of the felony of aggravated  
19 cruelty to animals and on conviction is subject to imprisonment not exceeding 3 years or a  
20 fine not exceeding \$5,000 or both.

21 [(2)] As a condition of sentencing, the court may order a defendant convicted  
22 of violating this section to participate in and pay for psychological counseling.]

23 10-607.1.

24 (a) (1) In this section, "implement of dogfighting" means an implement, an  
25 object, a device, or a drug intended or designed:

26 (i) to enhance the fighting ability of a dog; or

27 (ii) for use in a deliberately conducted event that uses a dog to fight  
28 with another dog.

29 (2) "Implement of dogfighting" includes:

1 (i) a breaking stick designed for insertion behind the molars of a dog  
2 to break the dog's grip on another animal or object;

3 (ii) a cat mill that rotates around a central support with one arm  
4 designed to secure a dog and one arm designed to secure a cat, rabbit, or other small animal  
5 beyond the grasp of the dog;

6 (iii) a springpole that has a biting surface attached to a stretchable  
7 device, suspended at a height sufficient to prevent an animal from reaching the biting  
8 surface while touching the ground;

9 (iv) a fighting pit or other confined area designed to contain a  
10 dogfight;

11 (v) a breeding stand or rape stand used to immobilize female dogs  
12 for breeding purposes; and

13 (vi) any other instrument or device that is commonly used in the  
14 training for, in the preparation for, in the conditioning for, in the breeding for, in the  
15 conducting of, or otherwise in furtherance of a dogfight.

16 (b) A person may not possess, with the intent to unlawfully use, an implement of  
17 dogfighting.

18 (c) [(1)] A person who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and on  
19 conviction is subject to imprisonment not exceeding 90 days or a fine not exceeding \$5,000  
20 or both.

21 [(2)] As a condition of sentencing, the court may order a defendant convicted  
22 of violating this section to participate in and pay for psychological counseling.

23 (3) Each implement of dogfighting possessed in violation of this section is  
24 a separate offense.]

25 10-608.

26 (a) (1) In this section, "implement of cockfighting" means any implement or  
27 device intended or designed:

28 (i) to enhance the fighting ability of a fowl, cock, or other bird; or

29 (ii) for use in a deliberately conducted event that uses a fowl, cock,  
30 or other bird to fight with another fowl, cock, or other bird.

31 (2) "Implement of cockfighting" includes:

- 1 (i) a gaff;
- 2 (ii) a slasher;
- 3 (iii) a postiza;
- 4 (iv) a sparring muff; and
- 5 (v) any other sharp implement designed to be attached in place of  
6 the natural spur of a gamecock or other fighting bird.

7 (b) A person may not:

- 8 (1) use or allow the use of a fowl, cock, or other bird to fight with another  
9 animal;
- 10 (2) possess, with the intent to unlawfully use, an implement of  
11 cockfighting;
- 12 (3) arrange or conduct a fight in which a fowl, cock, or other bird fights with  
13 another fowl, cock, or other bird;
- 14 (4) possess, own, sell, transport, or train a fowl, cock, or other bird with the  
15 intent to use the fowl, cock, or other bird in a cockfight; or
- 16 (5) knowingly allow premises under the person's ownership, charge, or  
17 control to be used to conduct a fight in which a fowl, cock, or other bird fights with another  
18 fowl, cock, or other bird.

19 (c) [(1)] A person who violates this section is guilty of the felony of aggravated  
20 cruelty to animals and on conviction is subject to imprisonment not exceeding 3 years or a  
21 fine not exceeding \$5,000 or both.

22 [(2)] As a condition of sentencing, the court may order a defendant convicted  
23 of violating this section to participate in and pay for psychological counseling.]

24 **10-627.**

25 (A) **IN THIS SECTION, "ANIMAL ABUSE CRIME" HAS THE MEANING STATED**  
26 **IN § 11-1101 OF THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURE ARTICLE.**

27 (B) **AS A CONDITION OF SENTENCING, A COURT SHALL ORDER A DEFENDANT**  
28 **CONVICTED OF AN ANIMAL ABUSE CRIME TO PARTICIPATE IN AND PAY FOR**  
29 **PSYCHOLOGICAL COUNSELING.**

1                   **SUBTITLE 11. MARYLAND ANIMAL ABUSE REGISTRY.**

2   **11-1101.**

3           **(A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS**  
4 **INDICATED.**

5           **(B) “ANIMAL ABUSE CRIME” MEANS A MISDEMEANOR ANIMAL ABUSE CRIME**  
6 **OR A FELONY ANIMAL ABUSE CRIME.**

7           **(C) “ANIMAL BREEDER” MEANS AN ENTITY ENGAGED IN THE PRACTICE OF**  
8 **FACILITATING THE REPRODUCTION OF ANIMALS FOR THE PURPOSE OF SELLING**  
9 **THE RESULTING OFFSPRING TO ONE OR MORE OTHER INDIVIDUALS OR ENTITIES.**

10           **(D) “ANIMAL SHELTER” MEANS A PUBLIC ANIMAL CONTROL FACILITY OR**  
11 **ANY OTHER FACILITY THAT IS OPERATED BY AN ORGANIZATION OR INDIVIDUAL FOR**  
12 **THE PURPOSE OF PROTECTING ANIMALS FROM CRUELTY, NEGLECT, OR ABUSE.**

13           **(E) “FELONY ANIMAL ABUSE CRIME” MEANS:**

14                   **(1) A VIOLATION OF § 3-321 OF THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE**  
15 **INVOLVING AN ANIMAL, OR A VIOLATION OF § 10-606, § 10-607, OR § 10-620 OF THE**  
16 **CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE;**

17                   **(2) AN ATTEMPT TO COMMIT AN OFFENSE LISTED IN ITEM (1) OF THIS**  
18 **SUBSECTION; OR**

19                   **(3) A CRIME COMMITTED IN A FEDERAL, STATE, OR FOREIGN**  
20 **JURISDICTION THAT, IF COMMITTED IN THIS STATE, WOULD CONSTITUTE ONE OF**  
21 **THE CRIMES LISTED IN ITEM (1) OR (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION.**

22           **(F) “FUND” MEANS THE ANIMAL ABUSE REGISTRY FUND ESTABLISHED**  
23 **UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.**

24           **(G) “HUMANE SOCIETY” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 10-601 OF THE**  
25 **CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE.**

26           **(H) “MISDEMEANOR ANIMAL ABUSE CRIME” MEANS A VIOLATION OF §**  
27 **3-322 OF THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE INVOLVING AN ANIMAL, OR A VIOLATION OF**  
28 **§ 10-604, § 10-605, §§ 10-607.1 THROUGH 10-614, § 10-618, § 10-619, OR §§**  
29 **10-621 THROUGH 10-625 OF THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE.**

1           **(I) "PET STORE" MEANS A PLACE OR PREMISES WHERE BIRDS, MAMMALS,**  
2 **OR REPTILES ARE KEPT FOR THE PURPOSE OF:**

3           **(1) SALE, AT EITHER WHOLESALE OR RETAIL;**

4           **(2) IMPORT;**

5           **(3) EXPORT;**

6           **(4) BARTER;**

7           **(5) EXCHANGE; OR**

8           **(6) GIFT.**

9           **(J) "REGISTRANT" MEANS A PERSON REQUIRED TO REGISTER UNDER §**  
10 **11-1104 OF THIS SUBTITLE.**

11           **(K) "REGISTRY" MEANS THE MARYLAND ANIMAL ABUSE REGISTRY,**  
12 **ESTABLISHED UNDER § 11-1103 OF THIS SUBTITLE.**

13           **(L) "RELEASE" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 11-701 OF THIS TITLE.**

14           **(M) "TIER I OFFENDER" MEANS A PERSON WHO IS NOT A TIER II**  
15 **REGISTRANT AND HAS BEEN CONVICTED OF A MISDEMEANOR ANIMAL ABUSE CRIME.**

16           **(N) "TIER II OFFENDER" MEANS A PERSON WHO HAS BEEN CONVICTED OF**  
17 **A FELONY ANIMAL ABUSE CRIME.**

18 **11-1102.**

19           **FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBTITLE, A PERSON IS CONVICTED WHEN THE**  
20 **PERSON:**

21           **(1) IS FOUND GUILTY OF A CRIME BY A JURY OR JUDICIAL OFFICER;**

22 **OR**

23           **(2) ENTERS A PLEA OF GUILTY OR NOLO CONTENDERE.**

24 **11-1103.**

25           **(A) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A CENTRAL**  
26 **COMPUTERIZED REGISTRY OF ALL PERSONS CONVICTED OF AN ANIMAL ABUSE**

1 CRIME THAT ARE REQUIRED TO REGISTER IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 11-1104 OF THIS  
2 SUBTITLE, TO BE KNOWN AS THE MARYLAND ANIMAL ABUSE REGISTRY.

3 (B) THE REGISTRY SHALL BE UPDATED BASED ON INFORMATION MADE  
4 AVAILABLE TO THE DEPARTMENT, INCLUDING INFORMATION ACQUIRED IN  
5 ACCORDANCE WITH THE REGISTRATION PROVISIONS OF § 11-1104 OF THIS  
6 SUBTITLE.

7 (C) FOR EACH REGISTRANT, THE REGISTRY SHALL INCLUDE:

8 (1) THE REGISTRANT'S NAME;

9 (2) THE REGISTRANT'S DATE OF BIRTH;

10 (3) THE REGISTRANT'S RACE;

11 (4) THE REGISTRANT'S GENDER;

12 (5) THE REGISTRANT'S RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS;

13 (6) THE DATE AND A DESCRIPTION OF THE CRIME FOR WHICH  
14 REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED; AND

15 (7) A DIGITAL IMAGE OF THE REGISTRANT'S HEAD AND SHOULDERS  
16 TAKEN IN FULL-FACE VIEW.

17 11-1104.

18 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "RESIDENT" MEANS A PERSON WHO LIVES IN THIS  
19 STATE WHEN THE PERSON:

20 (1) IS RELEASED;

21 (2) IS GRANTED PROBATION;

22 (3) IS GRANTED A SUSPENDED SENTENCE; OR

23 (4) RECEIVES A SENTENCE THAT DOES NOT INCLUDE A TERM OF  
24 IMPRISONMENT.

25 (B) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, A PERSON  
26 CONVICTED OF AN ANIMAL ABUSE CRIME SHALL REGISTER WITH THE COUNTY  
27 SHERIFF FOR THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE PERSON RESIDES:

1           **(1) IF THE PERSON IS A RESIDENT, WITHIN 7 DAYS AFTER THE DATE**  
2 **THAT THE PERSON:**

3                   **(I) IS RELEASED;**

4                   **(II) IS GRANTED PROBATION;**

5                   **(III) IS GRANTED A SUSPENDED SENTENCE; OR**

6                   **(IV) RECEIVES A SENTENCE THAT DOES NOT INCLUDE A TERM OF**  
7 **IMPRISONMENT; OR**

8           **(2) IF THE PERSON MOVES INTO THE STATE, WITHIN 7 DAYS AFTER**  
9 **THE EARLIER OF THE DATE THAT THE PERSON:**

10                   **(I) ESTABLISHES A TEMPORARY OR PERMANENT RESIDENCE IN**  
11 **THE STATE; OR**

12                   **(II) APPLIES FOR A DRIVER'S LICENSE IN THE STATE.**

13           **(C) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, A PERSON IS NO**  
14 **LONGER SUBJECT TO REGISTRATION UNDER THIS SUBTITLE IF:**

15                   **(1) THE UNDERLYING CONVICTION REQUIRING REGISTRATION IS**  
16 **REVERSED, VACATED, OR SET ASIDE;**

17                   **(2) THE REGISTRANT IS PARDONED FOR THE UNDERLYING**  
18 **CONVICTION; OR**

19                   **(3) THE REGISTRANT NO LONGER RESIDES IN THE STATE.**

20 **11-1105.**

21           **(A) A REGISTRANT SHALL PROVIDE THE COUNTY SHERIFF WITH THE**  
22 **FOLLOWING INFORMATION:**

23                   **(1) THE REGISTRANT'S LEGAL NAME;**

24                   **(2) THE REGISTRANT'S DATE OF BIRTH;**

25                   **(3) THE REGISTRANT'S RACE;**

1           **(4) THE REGISTRANT'S GENDER;**

2           **(5) THE REGISTRANT'S CURRENT ADDRESS OR LOCATION;**

3           **(6) THE CRIME OF WHICH THE REGISTRANT WAS CONVICTED; AND**

4           **(7) THE DATE AND LOCATION OF THE CRIME.**

5           **(B) THE COUNTY SHERIFF SHALL OBTAIN A DIGITAL IMAGE OF THE**  
6 **REGISTRANT'S HEAD AND SHOULDERS TAKEN IN FULL-FACE VIEW.**

7           **(C) A REGISTRANT SHALL UPDATE THE REGISTRANT'S REGISTRATION**  
8 **INFORMATION:**

9           **(1) ANNUALLY; AND**

10           **(2) TO REFLECT ANY CHANGE IN ADDRESS WITHIN 10 DAYS OF THE**  
11 **CHANGE.**

12           **(D) REGISTRATION UNDER THIS SUBTITLE SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT:**

13           **(1) FOR A TIER I OFFENDER:**

14                   **(I) FOR A FIRST OR SECOND CONVICTION, FOR A PERIOD OF 5**  
15 **YEARS FOLLOWING EITHER THE DATE OF CONVICTION OR THE DATE OF RELEASE**  
16 **FROM INCARCERATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER; AND**

17                   **(II) FOR A THIRD OR SUBSEQUENT CONVICTION, FOR A PERIOD**  
18 **OF 10 YEARS FOLLOWING EITHER THE DATE OF CONVICTION OR THE DATE OF**  
19 **RELEASE FROM INCARCERATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER; AND**

20           **(2) FOR A TIER II OFFENDER:**

21                   **(I) FOR A FIRST CONVICTION, FOR A PERIOD OF 10 YEARS**  
22 **FOLLOWING EITHER THE DATE OF CONVICTION OR THE DATE OF RELEASE FROM**  
23 **INCARCERATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER; AND**

24                   **(II) FOR A SECOND OR SUBSEQUENT CONVICTION, FOR LIFE.**

25           **(E) THE COUNTY SHERIFF SHALL FORWARD ALL REGISTRATION**  
26 **INFORMATION TO THE DEPARTMENT.**

27 **11-1106.**

1 (A) IN ADDITION TO ANY FINE, FEE, OR PENALTY LEVIED OR IMPOSED AS  
2 PROVIDED BY LAW, EACH REGISTRANT SHALL PAY AN ANNUAL REGISTRATION FEE  
3 OF \$50.

4 (B) THE COUNTY SHERIFF SHALL REMIT THE ANNUAL REGISTRATION FEES  
5 COLLECTED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION TO THE STATE TREASURER  
6 FOR DEPOSIT INTO THE ANIMAL ABUSE REGISTRY FUND.

7 11-1107.

8 (A) (1) THERE IS AN ANIMAL ABUSE REGISTRY FUND.

9 (2) THE FUND CONSISTS OF:

10 (I) MONEY DISTRIBUTED TO THE FUND FROM ANNUAL  
11 REGISTRATION FEES COLLECTED UNDER § 11-1106 OF THIS SUBTITLE; AND

12 (II) MONEY MADE AVAILABLE TO THE FUND FROM ANY OTHER  
13 SOURCE.

14 (3) THE FUND IS A SPECIAL, NONLAPSING FUND THAT IS NOT  
15 SUBJECT TO § 7-302 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.

16 (4) THE STATE TREASURER SHALL HOLD THE FUND SEPARATELY,  
17 AND THE COMPTROLLER SHALL ACCOUNT FOR THE FUND.

18 (5) THE FUND SHALL BE INVESTED AND REINVESTED IN THE SAME  
19 MANNER AS OTHER STATE FUNDS.

20 (6) THE FUND IS SUBJECT TO AUDIT BY THE OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE  
21 AUDITS AS PROVIDED IN § 2-1220 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

22 (B) (1) THE FUND MAY BE USED ONLY FOR FUNDING THE  
23 ADMINISTRATION OF THIS SUBTITLE BY COUNTY SHERIFFS AND THE DEPARTMENT.

24 (2) UP TO 65% OF THE MONEY IN THE FUND SHALL BE PAYABLE TO  
25 THE COUNTIES TO FUND THE COLLECTION OF THE INFORMATION BY THE COUNTY  
26 SHERIFFS IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 11-1105 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

27 (3) UP TO 35% OF THE MONEY IN THE FUND SHALL BE PAYABLE TO  
28 THE DEPARTMENT TO FUND THE ESTABLISHMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE  
29 MARYLAND ANIMAL ABUSE REGISTRY IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 11-1103 OF THIS

1 SUBTITLE.

2 (C) THIS SECTION DOES NOT PROHIBIT THE FUND FROM RECEIVING MONEY  
3 FROM ANY OTHER SOURCE.

4 11-1108.

5 (A) INFORMATION REGARDING A TIER I OFFENDER CONTAINED IN THE  
6 MARYLAND ANIMAL ABUSE REGISTRY SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE, THROUGH THE  
7 INTERNET, BY TELEPHONE, BY WRITTEN ACCESS, AND IN PERSON, ONLY TO:

8 (1) A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY;

9 (2) A HUMANE SOCIETY;

10 (3) AN ANIMAL SHELTER;

11 (4) AN ANIMAL BREEDER; OR

12 (5) A PET STORE.

13 (B) INFORMATION REGARDING A TIER II REGISTRANT CONTAINED IN THE  
14 MARYLAND ANIMAL ABUSE REGISTRY SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC  
15 THROUGH THE INTERNET, BY TELEPHONE, BY WRITTEN ACCESS, AND IN PERSON.

16 11-1109.

17 (A) A PERSON WHO IS SUBJECT TO REGISTRATION UNDER § 11-1104 OF  
18 THIS SUBTITLE MAY NOT KNOWINGLY:

19 (1) FAIL TO REGISTER WITH THE COUNTY SHERIFF;

20 (2) FAIL TO PROVIDE ACCURATE INFORMATION WHEN REGISTERING  
21 UNDER § 11-1104 OF THIS SUBTITLE; OR

22 (3) POSSESS OR OTHERWISE COME INTO CONTACT WITH A  
23 DOMESTICATED ANIMAL WHILE SUBJECT TO THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF  
24 THIS SUBTITLE.

25 (B) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR  
26 AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 1 YEAR OR A  
27 FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000 OR BOTH.

1           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
2   October 1, 2018.