

SENATE BILL 206

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(PRE-FILED)

By: **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request
– Departmental – Agriculture)**

Requested: October 5, 2021

Introduced and read first time: January 12, 2022

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Committee Report: Favorable with amendments

Senate action: Adopted

Read second time: February 8, 2022

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Department of Agriculture – Spay/Neuter Fund – Extension**

3 FOR the purpose of extending the termination provisions for certain provisions of law
4 relating to the Spay/Neuter Fund; requiring the Department of Agriculture to report
5 on or before a certain date, to the General Assembly; and generally relating to the
6 Spay/Neuter Fund.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Chapter 561 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
9 Section 3

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
11 Chapter 562 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
12 Section 3

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

15 **Chapter 561 of the Acts of 2013**

16 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
17 October 1, 2013. It shall remain effective for a period of [9] 19 years and, at the end of

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 September 30, [2022] **2032**, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this
 2 Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

3 **Chapter 562 of the Acts of 2013**

4 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
 5 October 1, 2013. It shall remain effective for a period of [9] **19** years and, at the end of
 6 September 30, [2022] **2032**, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this
 7 Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before October 1, 2022,
 9 the Department of Agriculture shall report to the General Assembly, in accordance with §
 10 2-1257 of the State Government Article, on the Spay/Neuter Fund, including:

11 (1) spay and neuter programs that are not receiving funding from the
 12 Spay/Neuter Fund;

13 (2) the market capacity for increasing the fees assessed on each brand
 14 name or product name of commercial feed under § 2-1603 of the Agriculture Article;

15 (3) a proposed fee structure that can be implemented over the next 5 to 10
 16 years to enhance the revenue generated from the fees assessed under § 2-1603 of the
 17 Agriculture Article; and

18 (4) additional sources of revenue for the Spay/Neuter Fund.

19 SECTION ~~2~~ 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
 20 June 1, 2022.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.