

HOUSE BILL 379

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By: **Prince George's County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: January 16, 2025

Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Prince George's County – Public Middle and High Schools – Drug Detection**
3 **Products**

4 **PG 507–25**

5 FOR the purpose of requiring the Prince George's County Board of Education to provide
6 certain drug detection products to public middle and high school students in the
7 county in a certain manner beginning in a certain school year; and generally relating
8 to drug detection products and Prince George's County public middle and high
9 schools.

10 BY adding to
11 Article – Education
12 Section 7–455
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

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

17 **Article – Education**

18 **7–455.**

19 **(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS**
20 **INDICATED.**

21 **(2) “DRINK SPIKING DETECTION PRODUCT” MEANS A PRODUCT THAT**
22 **HAS ONE OR MORE TEST SPOTS THAT ALLOW THE USER TO TEST A PORTION OF A**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 BEVERAGE TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE BEVERAGE HAS BEEN CONTAMINATED
2 WITH THE DRUG GAMMA-HYDROXYBUTYRIC ACID (GHB) OR KETAMINE.

3 (3) "DRUG DETECTION STRIP" MEANS A DISPOSABLE TEST STRIP
4 THAT ALLOWS AN INDIVIDUAL TO TEST A DRUG FOR THE PRESENCE OF FENTANYL.

5 (B) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY.

6 (C) BEGINNING IN THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR, THE PRINCE GEORGE'S
7 COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL REQUIRE EACH PUBLIC MIDDLE SCHOOL
8 AND HIGH SCHOOL IN THE COUNTY TO PROVIDE, AT NO CHARGE TO STUDENTS,
9 DRINK SPIKING DETECTION PRODUCTS AND DRUG DETECTION STRIPS.

10 (D) THE DRINK SPIKING DETECTION PRODUCTS AND DRUG DETECTION
11 STRIPS REQUIRED TO BE PROVIDED TO MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS
12 UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE IN SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH
13 CLINICS, SCHOOL LIBRARIES, AND SCHOOL BATHROOMS.

14 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
15 1, 2025.