

HOUSE BILL 1248

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By: **Delegates S. Robinson, Kramer, and A. Miller**

Introduced and read first time: March 5, 2015

Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Medical Schools – Use of Animals in Medical Training – Prohibited**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting a medical school from using a live or dead animal in the
4 medical education or training of students if certain alternate methods are used by
5 certain other medical schools in the State; establishing a certain penalty; and
6 generally relating to prohibiting the use of animals in medical training by medical
7 schools.

8 BY adding to

9 Article – Health – General

10 Section 24–401 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 4. Use of Animals in Medical
11 School Training”

12 Annotated Code of Maryland

13 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

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

16 **Article – Health – General**

17 **SUBTITLE 4. USE OF ANIMALS IN MEDICAL SCHOOL TRAINING.**

18 **24–401.**

19 **(A) A MEDICAL SCHOOL MAY NOT USE A LIVE OR DEAD ANIMAL IN THE**
20 **MEDICAL EDUCATION OR TRAINING OF STUDENTS IF THERE IS AN ALTERNATE**
21 **METHOD THAT:**

22 **(1) TEACHES THE MEDICAL PROCEDURE WITHOUT THE USE OF AN**
23 **ANIMAL; AND**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(2) IS USED BY AT LEAST ONE OTHER MEDICAL SCHOOL IN THE**
2 **STATE.**

3 **(B) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION IS GUILTY**
4 **OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING**
5 **\$1,000 FOR EACH ANIMAL USED.**

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
7 October 1, 2015.