

# SENATE BILL 470

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By: **Senator Nathan–Pulliam**

Introduced and read first time: February 6, 2015

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Agriculture – Antibiotic Drug Usage – Food–Producing Animals**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from administering an antibiotic drug to a  
4 food–producing animal under certain circumstances; requiring the State  
5 Department of Agriculture to establish by regulation a certain program; requiring  
6 the regulations adopted by the Department to include certain provisions; defining a  
7 certain term; and generally relating to antibiotic drug usage in food–producing  
8 animals.

9 BY adding to

10 Article – Agriculture

11 Section 3–1001 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 10. Antibiotic Drug Usage in  
12 Food–Producing Animals”

13 Annotated Code of Maryland

14 (2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

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

17 **Article – Agriculture**

18 **SUBTITLE 10. ANTIBIOTIC DRUG USAGE IN FOOD–PRODUCING ANIMALS.**

19 **3–1001.**

20 **(A) IN THIS SECTION, “FOOD–PRODUCING ANIMAL” MEANS AN ANIMAL**  
21 **RAISED IN THE STATE FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION.**

22 **(B) A PERSON MAY NOT ADMINISTER, OR PROVIDE ANY COMMERCIAL FEED**  
23 **OR WATER THAT CONTAINS, AN ANTIBIOTIC DRUG TO A FOOD–PRODUCING ANIMAL:**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.





- 1                                   **2. THE ANIMAL SPECIES AND TOTAL NUMBER OF**  
2 **FOOD-PRODUCING ANIMALS ON WHICH EACH DRUG WAS USED;**
- 3                                   **3. THE QUANTITY OF EACH DRUG USED;**
- 4                                   **4. THE DURATION OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF EACH**  
5 **DRUG;**
- 6                                   **5. THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH EACH DRUG WAS**  
7 **ADMINISTERED;**
- 8                                   **6. EACH TYPE OF DISEASE OR INFECTION THAT WAS**  
9 **TREATED; AND**
- 10                                   **7. THE METHOD BY WHICH EACH DRUG WAS**  
11 **ADMINISTERED, INCLUDING ORAL ADMINISTRATION, COMMERCIAL FEED, WATER,**  
12 **OR BY INJECTION.**

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