

the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Health", sub-title "Barbital and Other Hypnotic Drugs", generally amending the statutes regulating the sale of certain drugs.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 270, 271, 272, 273 (A) and 273 (c) of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Health", sub-title "Barbital and Other Hypnotic Drugs", be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

270. (Definitions.) For the purpose of this sub-title:

(a). The term "Barbiturate" means the salts and derivatives of barbituric acid, also known as Malonyl Urea having an hypnotic or somnifacient action, or compounds of any preparations or mixtures thereof.

(b). The term "delivery" means sale, dispensing, giving away, or supplying in any other manner.

(c). The term "Patient" means, as the case may be, (1) the individual for whom a barbiturate is prepared or administered, (2) the owner or the agent of the owner of the animal for which a barbiturate is prescribed or to which a barbiturate is administered.

(d). The term "person" includes individual, corporation, partnership and association.

(e). The term "practitioner" means a person licensed by law to prescribe and administer barbiturates.

(f). The term "pharmacist" means a person duly registered with the State Board of Pharmacy as a compounder, dispenser, and supplier of drugs upon prescription.

(g). The term "prescription" means *an oral order or a written order by a practitioner to a pharmacist for a barbiturate for a particular patient, which (1) specifies the date of its issue, (2) the name and address of the practitioner, (3) the name and address of the patient (and, if such barbiturate is prescribed for an animal, the species of the animal), (4) the name and quantity of barbiturate prescribed, (5) the directions for the use of such drug, [and] (6) the signature of such practitioner [.] and in the case of an oral prescription, it shall be reduced immediately to writing and filed by the pharmacist.*

(h). The term "manufacturer" means persons other than pharmacists who manufacture barbiturates, and in-