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Annotated Code of Maryland (1999 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Environment

Section 6-303 and 6-304

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - General

Section 18-106

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1994 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

Article - Education

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- (a) The Department of Education in consultation with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall adopt regulations requiring a physical examination for children entering the Maryland Public School System for the first time.
- (b) (1) The regulations shall-require each child entering the Maryland Public-School System for the first time to have a physical examination completed within:
 - [(1)] (I) The 9 month period before entering the public school system; or
 - [(2)] (II) The 6-month period after entering the public school system.
- (2) (I) THE RECULATIONS SHALL REQUIRE THAT, IN BALTIMORE CITY, A PHYSICAL EXAMINATION REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION INCLUDE A BLOOD TEST SCREENING FOR LEAD POISONING.
- (II) THE COMMISSIONER OF THE BALTIMORE CITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT AND THE SECRETARY OF THE ENVIRONMENT, MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE BLOOD TEST SCREENING REQUIRED UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH.
- (e) The physical examination required under subsection (b) of this section shall be completed by:
 - (1) A physician; or
 - (2) A certified nurse practitioner.