

SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as provided in Section 6 of this Act, this Act shall take effect July 1, 2002.

Approved April 25, 2002.

CHAPTER 261

(House Bill 1107)

AN ACT concerning

Disease Prevention - ~~Scientific Collection~~ Permits - Turtles

FOR the purpose of allowing the breeding, raising, keeping, and possession of turtles by a person who has obtained a certain ~~scientific collecting~~ permit.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - General

Section 18-219

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

~~BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,~~

~~Article - Natural Resources~~

~~Section 10-000~~

~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~

~~(2000 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)~~

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

Article - Health - General

18-219.

(a) The Secretary may prohibit the importation, selling, trading, purchasing, bartering, breeding, raising, keeping, or possession of any animals found to be dangerous to human health and safety.

(b) This section does not apply to:

- (1) Domestic cats;
- (2) Domestic dogs;
- (3) Domestic ferrets;
- (4) Animals used for agricultural purposes;
- (5) Animals used for scientific purposes;