Article - Agriculture

Section 5-201(1)

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## Preamble

WHEREAS, The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has recommended the use of an integrated pest management system by school districts; and

WHEREAS, All county boards of education in the State employ integrated pest management for the control of insects, rodents, and other pests in school buildings; and

WHEREAS, An integrated pest management system allows only the judicious use of pesticides; and

WHEREAS, Parents and guardians have a right to know that there is an integrated pest management system in their children's schools; and

WHEREAS, Many parents and guardians wish to be notified of any use of a pesticide in a school; and

WHEREAS, The Maryland General Assembly desires to institute Statewide standards for implementation of integrated pest management systems and notification to parents, guardians, and school staff about the operation of those systems; now, therefore,

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

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5-201.

- (l) "Pesticide" means any substance or mixture of substances intended for:
  - (1) Preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest;
  - (2) Use as a plant regulator, defoliant, or desiccant; or
  - (3) Use as a spray adjuvant such as a wetting agent or adhesive.