

## MSBA Bill Report 3A - Animal and Agricultural Law (2024.01.30)

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## MD - SB641 Department of Agriculture - Spay/Neuter Fund

Last Action: First Reading Education, Energy, and the Environment (January 29, 2024)

Primary Sponsor: Senator Benjamin Brooks (D)

Committee: Education, Energy, and the Environment (Senate)

Summary:

Altering the contents and authorized uses of the Spay/Neuter Fund; requiring the Department of Agriculture to establish a process through which a person may make a voluntary donation to the Fund; requiring the Department to give additional consideration to certain competitive grant proposals that meet certain criteria; and increasing the fee on commercial feed prepared and distributed for consumption by dogs or cats and registered in the State beginning October 1, 2024.

Cross-filed Bill: HB85