

A005-0506

10 AN ACT CONCERNING

20 **Stem Cell Research**

30 FOR the purpose of allowing licensed scientific researchers to work with embryonic, and umbilical stem
40 cells for medical research purposes

50 By repealing and reenacting, with amendments

60 Article – State Government

70 Section

80 Annotated Code of Maryland

90 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE MAYLAND STUDENT LEGISLATURE,

100 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

110 Article- State Government

120 Both embryonic and umbilical stem cells should be used in research laboratories in the State of Maryland
130 for medical research purposes

140 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2008.

150 **MANDATES:** Governor Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION PAPER:

- Stem cells include all cells in which differentiation has not occurred.
- Embryonic stem cells have two different sources including the genetic clone as well as from discarded embryos.