



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5675

January Session, 2001

**AN ACT CONCERNING MENINGITIS INFORMATION AND
VACCINATIONS FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 (NEW) (a) For the 2001-2002 school year, and each school year
2 thereafter, each public or private college or university in this state shall
3 require that each student who resides in on-campus housing be
4 vaccinated against meningitis as a condition of such residence. The
5 provisions of this subsection shall not apply to any such student who
6 (1) presents a certificate from a physician stating that, in the opinion of
7 such physician, such vaccination is medically contraindicated because
8 of the physical condition of such student, or (2) presents a statement
9 that such vaccination would be contrary to the religious beliefs of such
10 student.

11 (b) For the 2001-2002 school year, and each school year thereafter,
12 each public or private college or university in this state shall (1)
13 provide information about meningitis to all prospective students prior
14 to their matriculation and include with that information notice of the
15 availability and benefits of a meningitis vaccine, and (2) develop
16 procedures for facilitating, receiving and recording student responses
17 to the information provided about meningitis and the meningitis
18 vaccination, including the student's decision to receive the vaccination.

PH *Joint Favorable Subst.*