

Defined terms: "Deliver" § 5-101

"Minor" § 1-101

"Person" § 1-101

"Possess" § 5-101

5-710. USE OF STEROID OR HORMONE — WARNING.

(A) HUMAN GROWTH HORMONE DEFINED.

IN THIS SECTION, "HUMAN GROWTH HORMONE" MEANS:

(1) SOMATREM, SOMATROPIN, AND ANY OF THEIR ANALOGUES; OR

(2) A SUBSTANCE LABELED AS BEING OR CONTAINING SOMATREM OR SOMATROPIN AND ANY ANALOGUE OF SOMATREM OR SOMATROPIN.

(B) SCOPE OF SECTION.

THIS SECTION APPLIES TO AN ATHLETIC FACILITY, COMMERCIAL HEALTH CLUB, PUBLIC RECREATION CENTER, WEIGHT TRAINING GYM, SCHOOL GYMNASIUM, OR OTHER ESTABLISHMENT OPERATED PRIMARILY FOR THE EXERCISE, PHYSICAL FITNESS, ATHLETIC TRAINING, OR PHYSICAL EDUCATION OF THE INDIVIDUALS WHO USE THE FACILITY.

(C) WARNING NOTICE IN LOCKER ROOMS.

THE OPERATOR OF A FACILITY SUBJECT TO THIS SECTION SHALL OBTAIN AND AFFIX AT LEAST ONE WARNING NOTICE IN EACH LOCKER ROOM MAINTAINED IN THE FACILITY.

(D) LETTERING AND CONTENT REQUIREMENTS.

(1) THE LETTERING IN EACH WARNING NOTICE SHALL BE AT LEAST 1 INCH HIGH AND SHALL BE CONSPICUOUSLY PLACED FOR MAXIMUM POSSIBLE VISIBILITY.

(2) THE WARNING NOTICE SHALL READ:

WARNING

THE NONPRESCRIPTION USE, POSSESSION, OR DISTRIBUTION OF ANABOLIC STEROIDS OR HUMAN GROWTH HORMONE IS ILLEGAL IN THE STATE OF MARYLAND. ON CONVICTION, VIOLATORS ARE SUBJECT TO IMPRISONMENT OR A FINE OR BOTH.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 27, § 304.

The Criminal Law Article Review Committee notes, for the consideration of the General Assembly, that although anabolic steroids are listed in Schedule III (§ 5-404(b) of this title), and are subject to the penalties of this title, the only explicit reference in the Annotated Code of Maryland to "human growth hormones" (somatrem or somatropin or analogues) as prohibited substances is in this section, which requires a notice of