

HB 1799 -- Human Cloning and Somatic Cell Nuclear Transfer  
Technology Commission

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This bill establishes the Human Cloning and Somatic Cell Nuclear Transfer Technology Commission to investigate and report the medical, scientific, ethical, and legal consequences of human cloning and somatic cell nuclear transfer research and therapy. The commission will issue a final report to the Governor and General Assembly within one year of the creation of the commission.

Until the commission issues its final report and state laws are enacted governing the practice of human cloning and somatic cell nuclear transfer technology, individuals are prohibited from knowingly engaging or participating in human cloning, knowingly using public funds to engage or attempt to engage in human cloning, knowingly using public facilities for engaging in or attempting to engage in human cloning, and utilizing somatic cell nuclear transfer technology. Public employees are also prohibited from allowing other individuals to engage in or attempt to engage in human cloning while using public funds or public facilities.

Violation of the bill will be a class B felony.