

General Assembly

January Session, 2025

Proposed Bill No. 6825



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by: REP. STEINBERG, 136th Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING IN-GROUND SWIMMING POOL BARRIERS.

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

1 That the general statutes be amended to (1) require that any owner of 2 an in-ground swimming pool that, as of July 1, 2025, is not surrounded 3 by a barrier that complies with the requirements of the State Building 4 Code revised to October 1, 2022, shall install a barrier that complies with 5 such requirements not later than July 1, 2026, and (2) establish that the 6 provision of the State Building Code revised to October 1, 2022, 7 concerning the installation of a powered safety cover or retractable 8 cover that complies with ASTM F1346 as an exception to such barrier 9 requirement shall have no effect and shall not be construed as such an 10 exception.

Statement of Purpose:

To mitigate a safety risk associated with in-ground swimming pools, particularly as such risk pertains to children, by (1) requiring that owners of in-ground swimming pools that are not surrounded by a certain barrier install such a barrier, and (2) establishing that the provision of the State Building Code revised to October 1, 2022, concerning the installation of a certain powered safety cover or

retractable cover as an exception to such barrier requirement shall have no effect and shall not be construed as such an exception.