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## Humanism and the Fifth Lateran Council

### Abstract

This article seeks to debunk the exaggerated claims made for the influence of humanism and Epicureanism and to show the more real influence of anti-Aristotelianism and philosophical Scepticism on the origins of the bull *Apostolici Regiminis*, highlighting in the process the views of Zanobi Acciaiuoli and Gianfrancesco Pico della Mirandola. At the end, the failure of Renaissance humanism to develop a theory of truth and probability is brought out.