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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Family Law - Unlawful Marriages - Penalties**

3 FOR the purpose of repealing a provision of law relating to a certain penalty for an  
4 unlawful marriage; and generally relating to penalties for unlawful marriages.

5 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
6 Article - Family Law  
7 Section 2-202(a)  
8 Annotated Code of Maryland  
9 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
11 Article - Family Law  
12 Section 2-202(b)  
13 Annotated Code of Maryland  
14 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
16 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

17 **Article - Family Law**

18 2-202.

19 (a) Any marriage performed in this State that is prohibited by this section is  
20 void.

1 (b) (1) A man may not marry his:

2 (i) grandmother;

3 (ii) mother;

4 (iii) daughter;

5 (iv) sister; or

6 (v) granddaughter.

7 (2) A woman may not marry her:

8 (i) grandfather;

9 (ii) father;

10 (iii) son;

11 (iv) brother; or

12 (v) grandson.

13 (3) An individual who violates any provision of this subsection is guilty  
14 of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine of \$1,500 [or to permanent  
15 banishment from this State].

16 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take  
17 effect October 1, 2002.