

SENATE BILL 74

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(PRE-FILED)

By: **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)**

Requested: October 6, 2008

Introduced and read first time: January 14, 2009

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Committee Report: Favorable

Senate action: Adopted

Read second time: February 6, 2009

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Tobacco Authority – Repeal**

3 FOR the purpose of abolishing the State Tobacco Authority; specifying that the
4 publisher of the Annotated Code of Maryland, in consultation with the
5 Department of Legislative Services, shall correct certain cross-references and
6 terminology rendered incorrect by this Act; and generally relating to the
7 abolition of the State Tobacco Authority.

8 BY repealing

9 Article – Agriculture

10 Section 7–101 through 7–419 and the title “Title 7. Tobacco”

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2007 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

14 Article – Agriculture

15 Section 2–106(a)

16 Annotated Code of Maryland

17 (2007 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
19 MARYLAND, That Section(s) 7–101 through 7–419 and the title “Title 7. Tobacco” of
20 Article – Agriculture of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike-out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland
2 read as follows:

3 **Article – Agriculture**

4 2–106.

5 (a) The following positions and units are included within the Department:

6 [(1) The Tobacco Authority of the State of Maryland;]

7 [(2) (1) The Maryland Agricultural Fair Board;

8 [(3) (2) The Chief of Weights and Measures;

9 [(4) (3) The State Chemist;

10 [(5) (4) The State Veterinarian;

11 [(6) (5) The State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners;

12 [(7) (6) The State Soil Conservation Committee;

13 [(8) (7) The Board of Review of the Department of Agriculture;

14 [(9) (8) The Maryland Agricultural Commission;

15 [(10) (9) The Maryland Horse Industry Board;

16 [(11) (10) The Seafood Marketing and Aquaculture Development
17 Program and Division of Market Development;

18 [(12) (11) The Seafood Marketing Advisory Commission;

19 [(13) (12) The Maryland Winery and Grape Growers' Advisory Board;

20 [(14) (13) The Aquaculture Review Board; and

21 [(15) (14) The Aquaculture Coordinating Council.

22 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That any balance remaining
23 in the Tobacco Authority Fund after the effective date of this Act shall revert to the
24 General Fund.

25 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the publisher of the
26 Annotated Code of Maryland, in consultation with and subject to the approval of the

1 Department of Legislative Services, shall correct, with no further action required by
2 the General Assembly, cross-references and terminology rendered incorrect by this
3 Act or by any other Act of the General Assembly of 2009 that affects provisions
4 enacted by this Act. The publisher shall adequately describe any such correction in an
5 editor's note following the section affected.

6 SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
7 October 1, 2009.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.