

By: Delegate Arnick (Chairman, Administrative, Executive, and Legislative Review Committee)

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Assigned to: Commerce and Government Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Division of State Documents - Publications**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Administrator of the Division of State Documents, if
4 the Administrator makes a certain determination, to publish factual information in
5 the Code of Maryland Regulations, the Maryland Register, and the Contract
6 Weekly concerning these publications and documents contained in these
7 publications; and generally relating to certain information that maybe published in
8 the Code of Maryland Regulations, the Maryland Register, and the Contract
9 Weekly.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
11 Article - State Government
12 Section 7-207
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (1993 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

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

17 **Article - State Government**

18 7-207.

19 (a) (1) Unless the Committee provides otherwise, the Code of Maryland
20 Regulations, the Register, and the Contract Weekly may not reprint any text from:

- 21 (i) the Annotated Code of Maryland;
- 22 (ii) the Session Laws;
- 23 (iii) the United States Code;
- 24 (iv) the United States Statutes at Large;
- 25 (v) the Code of Federal Regulations;
- 26 (vi) the Federal Register; or

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1 (vii) any other generally available publication that the Administrator
2 specifies.

3 (2) These publications may be incorporated by reference.

4 (b) (1) IF THE ADMINISTRATOR DETERMINES THAT PUBLICATION WOULD
5 BE IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST, NOTHING IN THIS SECTION PROHIBITS THE
6 ADMINISTRATOR FROM PUBLISHING FACTUAL INFORMATION CONCERNING:

7 (I) DOCUMENTS PUBLISHED OR TO BE PUBLISHED IN THE CODE
8 OF MARYLAND REGULATIONS, THE REGISTER, OR THE CONTRACT WEEKLY; OR

9 (II) THE CODE OF MARYLAND REGULATIONS, THE REGISTER, OR
10 THE CONTRACT WEEKLY.

11 (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subtitle or Title 10, Subtitle
12 1 of this article, the Code of Maryland Regulations, the Register, and the Contract
13 Weekly may not include news material or a press release, speech, or other comment.

14 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
15 October 1, 1996.