

By: Senator Ferguson

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Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Sales and Use Tax - Soft Drinks and Carbonated Beverages - Veterans and Public Safety**
3 **Organizations**

4 FOR the purpose of exempting from the sales and use tax the sale of soft drinks or
5 carbonated beverages in open containers by certain organizations under certain
6 circumstances; and generally relating to the application of the sales and use tax to
7 certain products sold by veterans and public safety organizations.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article - Tax - General
10 Section 11-206(d)(2) and (3)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1988 Volume and 1995 Supplement)

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

15 **Article - Tax - General**

16 11-206.

17 (d) The sales and use tax does not apply to:

18 (2) if the proceeds of the sale are used to support a bona fide nationally
19 organized and recognized organization of veterans of the armed forces of the United
20 States or auxiliary of the organization or 1 of its units, a sale of food, [or] meals, OR
21 SOFT DRINKS OR CARBONATED BEVERAGES IN OPEN CONTAINERS for consumption
22 only on the premises, served by the organization or auxiliary; or

23 (3) if the proceeds of the sale are used to support a volunteer fire company
24 or department or its auxiliary or a volunteer ambulance company or rescue squad or its
25 auxiliary, a sale of food OR SOFT DRINKS OR CARBONATED BEVERAGES IN OPEN
26 CONTAINERS served by the company, department, squad, or auxiliary.

27 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
28 July 1, 1996.