

(PRE-FILED)

By: **Delegate Baldwin**
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Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Construction - Connectors and Studs**

3 FOR the purpose of repealing a certain prohibition on the use of certain welded
4 connectors as fastening devices in construction involving structural iron and
5 steel; repealing a certain penalty concerning the use of certain welded
6 connectors; repealing a certain prohibition on erecting certain beams and
7 girders with certain studs or connectors; repealing a certain penalty for the
8 erection of certain beams and girders with certain studs or connectors; and
9 generally relating to the use of connectors and studs.

10 BY repealing
11 Article 48 - Inspections
12 Section 116 and 117
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (1994 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

17 **Article 48 - Inspections**

18 [116.

19 (a) After September 1, 1971, it shall be unlawful for any employer, employee,
20 corporation, partnership, firm or individual to use welded clip and seat type
21 connections or other welded "clip-type" connectors as temporary fastening devices in
22 any construction involving the use of structural iron or steel.

23 (b) Anyone who violates the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a
24 misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be subject to a fine not to exceed one hundred
25 dollars (\$100.00) for each offense.]

1 [117.

2 (a) After September 1, 1971, it shall be unlawful for any employer, employee,
3 corporation, partnership, firm or individual to erect any structural steel or iron beams
4 or girders with shear composite studs, other studs or reinforcing shear connectors,
5 provided, however, that nothing herein shall prevent the attachment of these devices
6 after the erection of all structural members or forming or decking of a particular floor
7 or deck level or span of a bridge or area between transverse floor beams is completed.

8 (b) Anyone who violates the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a
9 misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be subject to a fine not to exceed one hundred
10 dollars (\$100.00) for each offense.]

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
12 October 1, 1998.