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By: **Senator Astle**

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Assigned to: Finance

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Motor Fuel Refiners and Suppliers - Games of Chance**

3 FOR the purpose of allowing certain refiners and other suppliers of motor fuel to  
4 sponsor, promote, advertise, or otherwise perform or participate in a game of  
5 chance offered to the public, so long as the game of chance is not offered through  
6 a retail service station; retaining a certain exception; and generally relating to  
7 motor fuel refiners and suppliers.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
9 Article - Business Regulation  
10 Section 10-502  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (1992 Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

15 **Article - Business Regulation**

16 10-502.

17 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, a refiner or other  
18 supplier of motor fuel to a retail service station may not engage in, sponsor, promote,  
19 advertise, or otherwise perform or participate in a game of chance to be marketed or  
20 offered to the public THROUGH A RETAIL SERVICE STATION in the State.

21 (b) A supplier of motor fuel authorized under this title to operate retail service  
22 stations may, at such stations, participate in a game of chance promoted or sponsored  
23 by entities other than a refiner or supplier of motor fuel.

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