SENATE BILL 328

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CHAPTER_____

1 AN ACT concerning

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Herbal Cigarettes - Sale to Minors - Prohibition

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting the sale or offer for sale of an herbal cigarette to a

- 4 minor in this State; specifying a certain penalty for violation of a certain
- 5 prohibition; defining a certain term; and generally relating to herbal cigarettes.

6 BY adding to

- 7 Article 27 Crimes and Punishments
- 8 Section 406A
- 9 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 10 (1996 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

12 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

14 406A.

15 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "HERBAL CIGARETTE" MEANS A CIGARETTE THAT IS
16 COMPOSED OF ONE OR MORE HERBS AND IS NOT A TOBACCO PRODUCT AS DEFINED
17 IN § 404(A)(2) OF THIS ARTICLE.

18 (B) A PERSON MAY NOT SELL OR OFFER FOR SALE AN HERBAL CIGARETTE TO 19 A MINOR IN THIS STATE.

20 (C) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF 21 A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE OF \$500.

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- 1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 2 October 1, 1999.