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By: **Chairman, Environmental Matters Committee (Departmental -  
Agriculture)**

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Commercial Feed Law - Fees**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the annual registration fee for certain commercial feed.

4 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

5 Article - Agriculture

6 Section 6-107

7 Annotated Code of Maryland

8 (1999 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

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

11 **Article - Agriculture**

12 6-107.

13 (a) Except as provided in subsection (e) of this section, a distributor shall  
14 register each brand name or product name of commercial feed before distributing it in  
15 the State. Customer-formula feeds and contract feeds are exempt from registration if  
16 the registration fee is paid on the commercial feeds which they contain.

17 (b) The registration application for commercial feeds shall be submitted on  
18 forms furnished by the Secretary, and shall also be accompanied by a label or other  
19 printed matter describing the product if requested by the Secretary. The application  
20 shall include the information required by §§ 6-109, 6-110, and 6-111. When the  
21 Secretary has approved the registration, he shall furnish a copy to the applicant.

22 (c) The annual registration fee for each commercial feed distributed in the  
23 State is [~~\$40~~] \$50. Customer-formula feeds and contract feeds are exempt if the  
24 registration fee is paid on the commercial feeds which they contain.

25 (d) Each registration expires April 30 each year.

1 (e) Provided the product label has not been altered or changed, a distributor  
2 may not be required to register any brand of commercial feed which has been  
3 registered under this subtitle by another person.

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take  
5 effect July 1, 2000.