
By: **Delegates McHale and Montague**
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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Crimes - Sale of Bidi Cigarettes - Prohibition**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting the sale or offer for sale of bidi cigarettes; defining a
4 certain term; and generally relating to the prohibition of the sale of bidi
5 cigarettes.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7 Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments
8 Section 40A
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (1996 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

13 **Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments**

14 40A.

15 (a) IN THIS SECTION, "BIDI CIGARETTE" MEANS ANY SIZE OR SHAPED ROLL
16 FOR SMOKING THAT IS MADE OF TOBACCO OR TOBACCO MIXED WITH ANOTHER
17 INGREDIENT AND IS WRAPPED IN TENDU OR TEMBURNI LEAF.

18 (B) A person may not sell or offer for sale a clove cigarette OR A BIDI
19 CIGARETTE in this State.

20 [(b)] (C) A person who violates subsection [(a)] (B) of this section is guilty of a
21 misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine of \$500.

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
23 October 1, 2000.