

# HOUSE BILL 1386

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(8lr2639)

**ENROLLED BILL**  
*—Economic Matters / Finance—*

Introduced by **Delegate Rudolph**

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock, \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Speaker.

CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Exhibitors - Licensure - National Convention Exemption**

3 FOR the purpose of specifying that the exemption from the trader's license  
4 requirement imposed on exhibitors applies to exhibitors that provide the  
5 promoter with an affidavit stating that the exhibitor has not participated in  
6 more than three shows, not including participation in a certain national show,  
7 in addition to the current annual income requirements; and generally relating  
8 to the licensure of exhibitors.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
10 Article - Business Regulation  
11 Section 17-1801 and 17-1804(a)  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2004 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

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**EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.**

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

*Italics indicate opposite chamber / conference committee amendments.*



1 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
2 Article – Business Regulation  
3 Section 17–1804(d)(2)  
4 Annotated Code of Maryland  
5 (2004 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

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

8 **Article – Business Regulation**

9 17–1801.

10 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

11 (b) “Blind Industries” means Blind Industries and Services of Maryland.

12 (c) “Chain store license” means a license issued by the clerk to operate 2 or  
13 more stores under the same general management or ownership.

14 (d) “Exhibitor” means a person who rents space from a promoter to display  
15 and sell goods at a show.

16 (e) “Licensed trader” means a trader who is licensed by the clerk under this  
17 subtitle.

18 (f) “Promoter” means a person who rents space at a show to an exhibitor.

19 (g) “Show” includes an antique show, coin show, flea market, gun show,  
20 stamp show, and show of a temporary nature.

21 17–1804.

22 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle, a person must have a  
23 trader’s license whenever the person:

24 (1) does business as a trader in the State; or

25 (2) does business as an exhibitor in the State.

26 (d) (2) An exhibitor need not get a trader’s license for a show if the  
27 exhibitor gives to the promoter an exhibitor’s affidavit stating that the exhibitor:

28 (i) receives less than 10% of the exhibitor’s annual income from  
29 selling the kind of goods that the exhibitor will display and sell at the show; and

1                   (ii) has not participated in more than 3 shows, **NOT INCLUDING**  
2 **PARTICIPATION IN ONE SHOW SPONSORED BY A NATIONAL ORGANIZATION THAT**  
3 **IS EXEMPT FROM TAXATION UNDER § 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE**  
4 **CODE**, during the previous 365 days.

5           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
6 ~~October~~ June 1, 2008.

Approved:

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Governor.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.

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President of the Senate.