Chapter 557

(House Bill 494)

AN ACT concerning

Infant Formula and Baby Food Food and Cosmetics - Auction Sales - Prohibition - Exception

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from selling certain infant formula and baby food at any auction sale unless the person makes a certain notification; authorizing the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to make certain inspections; prohibiting a person from selling certain infant formula and baby food at an auction sale under certain circumstances; exempting the sale of certain items at a charity auction from a certain prohibition under certain circumstances; and generally relating to auction sales of certain infant formula and baby food food and cosmetics.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - General

Section 21–1110

Annotated Code of Maryland

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Article - Health - General

Section 21–1206

Annotated Code of Maryland

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

Article - Health - General

21-1110.

- (A) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO COSMETICS, INFANT FORMULA, OR BABY FOOD IF:
- (1) THE COSMETICS, INFANT FORMULA, OR BABY FOOD ARE BEING SOLD IN A SINGLE LOT AT A CHARITY AUCTION; AND
- (2) The total value of the cosmetics, infant formula, or baby food in the lot is \$100 or less.

(a) (B) A person may not sell any drug, medicine, cosmetic, pharmaceutical preparation, [or] medicinal preparation, OR INFANT FORMULA OR BABY FOOD THAT IS SUBJECT TO DATING REQUIREMENTS BY THE UNITED STATES FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION at any auction sale unless the person notifies the Secretary in writing of the proposed auction at least 7 days before the date of the auction.

(b) (C) (1) The Secretary may:

- (i) Inspect any drugs, medicines, cosmetics, pharmaceutical preparations, [or] medicinal preparations, INFANT FORMULA, OR BABY FOOD that a person proposes to sell by auction sale; and
- (ii) Issue an order that prohibits the sale of any of these if, in the opinion of the Secretary, they are unfit for human use or consumption.
- (2) A person may not hold an auction sale of any drug, medicine, cosmetic, pharmaceutical preparation, [or] medicinal preparation, INFANT FORMULA, OR BABY FOOD in violation of an order issued under this section.

21-1206.

A person who violates any provision of the following sections of this title is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$500:

- (1) $\S 21-818$ of this title; and
- (2) § 21–1110 of this title.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2010.

Approved by the Governor, May 20, 2010.