

HOUSE BILL 1169

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Assigned to: Economic Matters and Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Business Regulation – Tobacco Products and Electronic Smoking Devices –**
3 **Revisions**

4 FOR the purpose of increasing the amount of certain license fees; requiring certain
5 licensees to post a certain sign in a certain location; altering the minimum age for
6 an individual to purchase or be sold tobacco products; authorizing the Maryland
7 Department of Health to conduct certain inspections of licensed retailers for a certain
8 purpose; authorizing the Department to use certain individuals to assist in
9 conducting a certain inspection; prohibiting the sale of tobacco products through a
10 vending machine unless it is located in a certain establishment; renaming electronic
11 nicotine delivery systems to be electronic smoking devices; prohibiting repealing
12 certain provisions of law authorizing an affirmative defense for examining employer
13 and school identifications; repealing a provision of law prohibiting an underage
14 individual from using or possessing tobacco products or obtaining tobacco products
15 with false identification; requiring certain retailers to pay for certain civil fines on
16 behalf of certain other individuals; altering the definitions of certain terms; making
17 conforming changes; and generally relating to tobacco products.

18 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

19 Article – Business Regulation

20 Section 16–204(b), 16–209, 16–302, 16–3A–01, 16–3A–02, and 16.5–203(b); and
21 16.7–101, 16.7–102, 16.7–201 through 16.7–204, 16.7–206, 16.7–207,
22 16.7–209(e), 16.7–211, and 16.7–213 to be under the amended title “Title 16.7.
23 Electronic Smoking Devices Licenses”

24 Annotated Code of Maryland

25 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

26 BY adding to

27 Article – Business Regulation

28 Section 16–308.2, 16.5–214.1, 16.5–217.1, 16.7–204.1, and 16.7–213.1

29 Annotated Code of Maryland

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

2 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
3 Article – Criminal Law
4 Section 10–101 and 10–107
5 Annotated Code of Maryland
6 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

7 BY repealing
8 Article – Criminal Law
9 Section 10–108
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
13 Article – Health – General
14 Section 13–1001(a)
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

17 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
18 Article – Health – General
19 Section 13–1001(u), 13–1015, 24–305(b), (c), and (d), and 24–307(a) through (d)
20 Annotated Code of Maryland
21 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

22 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
23 Article – Local Government
24 Section 1–1201 and 1–1203(c) and (d)
25 Annotated Code of Maryland
26 (2013 Volume and 2018 Supplement)

27 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
28 Article – Local Government
29 Section 1–1203(a)
30 Annotated Code of Maryland
31 (2013 Volume and 2018 Supplement)

32 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
33 Article – State Finance and Procurement
34 Section 7–317(f)
35 Annotated Code of Maryland
36 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

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

Article – Business Regulation

1
2 16–204.

3 (b) (1) An applicant for a license to act as a retailer shall:

4 (i) obtain the county license required under § 16–301 of this title;

5 (ii) submit to the clerk an application for each permanent or
6 temporary place of business located in the same enclosure and operated by the same
7 applicant; and

8 (iii) pay to the clerk a fee of [~~\$30~~] **\$300**.

9 (2) The application shall:

10 (i) be made on the form that the clerk requires; and

11 (ii) contain the information that the Comptroller requires.

12 16–209.

13 (a) A licensee shall display a license in the way that the Comptroller requires by
14 regulation.

15 (b) A licensee who sells cigarettes through a vending machine:

16 (1) shall place each package of cigarettes in the machine so that when the
17 package is visible the tax stamps required by § 12–304 of the Tax – General Article are also
18 visible; and

19 (2) in the way that the Comptroller requires by regulation, shall:

20 (i) identify each vending machine with a conspicuous label that
21 states the licensee’s name, address, and telephone number; and

22 (ii) display on a conspicuous label applicable prohibitions and
23 penalties under § 10–107 of the Criminal Law Article.

24 **(C) (1) A LICENSEE SHALL POST A SIGN IN A LOCATION THAT IS CLEARLY**
25 **VISIBLE TO THE CONSUMER THAT STATES:**

26 **“NO PERSON UNDER THE AGE OF 21 MAY BE SOLD TOBACCO**
27 **PRODUCTS”.**

28 **(2) THE SIGN REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE**

1 **WRITTEN IN LETTERS AT LEAST ONE-HALF INCH HIGH.**

2 16-302.

3 (a) For each county license, an applicant shall:

4 (1) submit an application to the clerk; and

5 (2) pay to the clerk a license fee of:

6 (i) \$25 in a county other than Cecil County or Montgomery County;

7 (ii) \$50 in Cecil County; or

8 (iii) \$125 in Montgomery County.

9 (b) (1) From each license fee collected under subsection (a) of this section, the
10 Clerk of the Circuit Court for Montgomery County shall distribute:

11 (i) \$25 to the Comptroller; and

12 (ii) \$100 to Montgomery County to be used to enforce existing laws
13 banning the sale or distribution of tobacco or tobacco products to [minors] **INDIVIDUALS**
14 **UNDER THE AGE OF 21 YEARS.**

15 (2) Funds distributed under paragraph (1)(ii) of this subsection may not be
16 used to supplant existing funding for the enforcement of laws banning the sale or
17 distribution of tobacco or tobacco products to [minors] **INDIVIDUALS UNDER THE AGE OF**
18 **21 YEARS.**

19 **16-308.2.**

20 **(A) THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH MAY CONDUCT**
21 **UNANNOUNCED INSPECTIONS OF A LICENSED RETAILER TO ENSURE THE**
22 **LICENSEE'S COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE AND § 10-107 OF**
23 **THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE.**

24 **(B) THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH MAY USE AN INDIVIDUAL**
25 **UNDER THE AGE OF 21 YEARS TO ASSIST IN CONDUCTING AN INSPECTION UNDER**
26 **THIS SECTION.**

27 16-3A-01.

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

29 (b) "Owner" means the person that owns or operates an establishment in which a

1 vending machine is located.

2 (c) (1) "Tobacco product" means any [substance containing tobacco, including
3 cigarettes, cigars, smoking tobacco, snuff, or smokeless tobacco] **PRODUCT THAT IS:**

4 (I) **INTENDED FOR HUMAN INHALATION, ABSORPTION,
5 INGESTION, SMOKING, HEATING, CHEWING, DISSOLVING, OR ANY OTHER MANNER
6 OF CONSUMPTION THAT IS MADE OF, DERIVED FROM, OR CONTAINS:**

7 1. **TOBACCO; OR**

8 2. **NICOTINE; OR**

9 (II) **AN ACCESSORY OR A COMPONENT USED IN ANY MANNER OF
10 CONSUMPTION OF A PRODUCT DESCRIBED IN ITEM (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.**

11 (2) **"TOBACCO PRODUCT" INCLUDES:**

12 (I) **CIGARETTES, CIGARS, PIPE TOBACCO, CHEWING TOBACCO,
13 SNUFF, AND SNUS;**

14 (II) **ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES; AND**

15 (III) **FILTERS, ROLLING PAPERS, PIPES, AND LIQUIDS USED IN
16 ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES REGARDLESS OF NICOTINE CONTENT.**

17 (3) **"TOBACCO PRODUCT" DOES NOT INCLUDE A DRUG, DEVICE, OR
18 COMBINATION PRODUCT AUTHORIZED FOR SALE BY THE U.S. FOOD AND DRUG
19 ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE FEDERAL FOOD, DRUG, AND COSMETIC ACT.**

20 (d) "Vending machine" means any mechanical, electronic, or similar self-service
21 device that on insertion of a coin, coins, token, or other similar means dispenses a tobacco
22 product.

23 16-3A-02.

24 A person may not sell or dispense or offer to sell or dispense a tobacco product
25 through a vending machine in the State, unless the vending machine[:

26 (1) is located in an establishment that [minors] **INDIVIDUALS UNDER
27 THE AGE OF 21 YEARS** are prohibited by law from entering [or an establishment that is a
28 bona fide fraternal or veterans organization; or

29 (2) can only be operated with a token, card, or similar device that an

1 individual can only obtain or purchase from the owner or an employee or agent of the
2 owner] AT ANY TIME.

3 16.5–203.

4 (b) (1) An applicant for a license to act as an other tobacco products retailer or
5 a tobacconist:

6 (i) shall obtain a county license by submitting to the clerk an
7 application for each permanent or temporary place of business located in the same
8 enclosure and operated by the same applicant; and

9 (ii) except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, shall pay
10 to the clerk a fee of [~~\$15~~] **\$300**.

11 (2) A person who has a license issued under Title 16 of this article to act as
12 a cigarette retailer or to act as a special cigarette retailer is not required to pay the license
13 fee.

14 (3) The application shall:

15 (i) be made on the form that the clerk requires; and

16 (ii) contain the information that the Comptroller requires.

17 **16.5–214.1.**

18 (A) **A LICENSED OTHER TOBACCO PRODUCTS RETAILER SHALL POST A SIGN**
19 **IN A LOCATION THAT IS CLEARLY VISIBLE TO THE CONSUMER THAT STATES:**

20 **“NO PERSON UNDER THE AGE OF 21 MAY BE SOLD TOBACCO**
21 **PRODUCTS”.**

22 (B) **THE SIGN REQUIRED UNDER OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE WRITTEN IN**
23 **LETTERS AT LEAST ONE–HALF INCH HIGH.**

24 **16.5–217.1.**

25 (A) **THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH MAY CONDUCT**
26 **UNANNOUNCED INSPECTIONS OF A LICENSED RETAILER TO ENSURE THE**
27 **LICENSEE’S COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE AND § 10–107 OF**
28 **THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE.**

29 (B) **THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH MAY USE AN INDIVIDUAL**
30 **UNDER THE AGE OF 21 YEARS TO ASSIST IN CONDUCTING AN INSPECTION UNDER**

1 **THIS SECTION.**

2 Title 16.7. Electronic [Nicotine Delivery Systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** Licenses.

3 16.7–101.

4 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

5 (b) “County license” means a license issued by the clerk to sell electronic [nicotine
6 delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** to consumers in a county.

7 (c) (1) “Electronic [nicotine delivery system] **SMOKING DEVICE**” means [an
8 electronic] **A device**[, a component for an electronic device, or a product used to refill or
9 resupply an electronic device] that can be used to deliver **AEROSOLIZED OR VAPORIZED**
10 nicotine to an individual inhaling from the device.

11 (2) “Electronic [nicotine delivery system] **SMOKING DEVICE**” includes:

12 (I) an electronic cigarette, an electronic cigar, an electronic cigarillo,
13 an electronic pipe, **AN ELECTRONIC HOOKAH, A VAPE PEN**, and vaping liquid; **AND**

14 (II) **ANY COMPONENT, PART, OR ACCESSORY OF SUCH A DEVICE**
15 **REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT IT IS SOLD SEPARATELY, INCLUDING ANY**
16 **SUBSTANCE INTENDED TO BE AEROSOLIZED OR VAPORIZED DURING USE OF THE**
17 **DEVICE.**

18 (3) “Electronic [nicotine delivery system] **SMOKING DEVICE**” does not
19 include[:

20 (i) a nicotine device that contains or delivers nicotine intended for
21 human consumption if the device has been approved by the United States Food and Drug
22 Administration for sale as a tobacco cessation product and is being marketed and sold solely
23 for that purpose;

24 (ii) cannabis oil or any other unlawful substance; or

25 (iii) an electronic device that is being used to deliver cannabis oil or
26 another unlawful substance] **A DRUG, DEVICE, OR COMBINATION PRODUCT**
27 **AUTHORIZED FOR SALE BY THE U.S. FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE**
28 **FEDERAL FOOD, DRUG, AND COSMETIC ACT.**

29 (d) “Electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** manufacturer”
30 means a person that:

31 (1) manufactures, mixes, or otherwise produces electronic [nicotine

1 delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** intended for sale in the State, including electronic
2 [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** intended for sale in the United States
3 through an importer; and

4 (2) (i) sells electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES**
5 to a consumer, if the consumer purchases or orders the [systems] **DEVICES** through the
6 mail, a computer network, a telephonic network, or another electronic network, a licensed
7 electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** wholesaler distributor, or a
8 licensed electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** wholesaler importer in
9 the State;

10 (ii) if the electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES**
11 manufacturer also holds a license to act as an electronic [nicotine delivery systems]
12 **SMOKING DEVICES** retailer or a vape shop vendor, sells electronic [nicotine delivery
13 systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** to consumers located in the State; or

14 (iii) unless otherwise prohibited or restricted under local law, this
15 article, or the Criminal Law Article, distributes sample electronic [nicotine delivery
16 systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** to a licensed electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING**
17 **DEVICES** retailer or vape shop vendor.

18 (e) “Electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** retailer” means a
19 person that:

20 (1) sells electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** to
21 consumers;

22 (2) holds electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** for sale
23 to consumers; or

24 (3) unless otherwise prohibited or restricted under local law, this article,
25 the Criminal Law Article, or § 24–305 of the Health – General Article, distributes sample
26 electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** to consumers in the State.

27 (f) “Electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** wholesaler
28 distributor” means a person that:

29 (1) obtains at least 70% of its electronic [nicotine delivery systems]
30 **SMOKING DEVICES** from a holder of an electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING**
31 **DEVICES** manufacturer license under this subtitle or a business entity located in the
32 United States; and

33 (2) (i) holds electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES**
34 for sale to another person for resale; or

1 (ii) sells electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES**
2 to another person for resale.

3 (g) “Electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** wholesaler
4 importer” means a person that:

5 (1) obtains at least 70% of its electronic [nicotine delivery systems]
6 **SMOKING DEVICES** from a business entity located in a foreign country; and

7 (2) (i) holds electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES**
8 for sale to another person for resale; or

9 (ii) sells electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES**
10 to another person for resale.

11 (h) “License” means:

12 (1) a license issued by the Comptroller under § 16.7–203(a) of this title to:

13 (i) act as a licensed electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING**
14 **DEVICES** manufacturer;

15 (ii) act as a licensed electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING**
16 **DEVICES** wholesaler distributor; or

17 (iii) act as a licensed electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING**
18 **DEVICES** wholesaler importer; or

19 (2) a license issued by the clerk under § 16.7–203(b) of this title to:

20 (i) act as a licensed electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING**
21 **DEVICES** retailer; or

22 (ii) act as a licensed vape shop vendor.

23 (i) “Sell” means to exchange or transfer, or to agree to exchange or transfer, title
24 or possession of property, in any manner or by any means, for consideration.

25 (j) “Vape shop vendor” means an electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING**
26 **DEVICES** business that derives at least 70% of its revenues, measured by average daily
27 receipts, from the sale of electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** and
28 related accessories.

29 (k) “Vaping liquid” means a liquid that:

30 (1) consists of propylene glycol, vegetable glycerin, or other similar

1 substance;

2 (2) may or may not contain natural or artificial flavors;

3 (3) may or may not contain nicotine; and

4 (4) converts to vapor intended for inhalation when heated in an electronic
5 device.

6 16.7–102.

7 (a) The Comptroller may delegate any power or duty of the Comptroller under
8 this title.

9 (b) Any person licensed under Title 16 or Title 16.5 of this article, or an affiliate,
10 as defined under § 16–402(c) of this article, of a person licensed under Title 16 of this article:

11 (1) is authorized to manufacture, distribute, or sell electronic [nicotine
12 delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** pursuant to this title in the same capacity as the
13 person is licensed under Title 16 or Title 16.5 of this article; and

14 (2) may not be required to obtain an additional license under this title.

15 16.7–201.

16 (a) A person must hold an appropriate license before the person may act as:

17 (1) an electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES**
18 manufacturer;

19 (2) an electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** retailer;

20 (3) an electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES**
21 wholesaler distributor;

22 (4) an electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES**
23 wholesaler importer; or

24 (5) a vape shop vendor.

25 (b) A place of business in which a person acts as an electronic [nicotine delivery
26 systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** retailer or a vape shop vendor must hold an appropriate
27 license.

28 16.7–202.

1 (a) (1) An applicant for a license to act as an electronic [nicotine delivery
2 systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** manufacturer, electronic [nicotine delivery systems]
3 **SMOKING DEVICES** wholesaler distributor, or electronic [nicotine delivery systems]
4 **SMOKING DEVICES** wholesaler importer shall:

5 (i) obtain an appropriate county license by submitting an
6 application to the Comptroller on the form and containing the information that the
7 Comptroller requires;

8 (ii) indicate the licenses for which the applicant is applying; and

9 (iii) except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, pay to the
10 Comptroller a fee of \$25 for each license for which the applicant applies.

11 (2) An applicant for a license to act as an electronic [nicotine delivery
12 systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** wholesaler distributor or electronic [nicotine delivery
13 systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** wholesaler importer shall pay to the Comptroller a fee of
14 ~~[\$150]~~ **\$300**.

15 (b) (1) An applicant for a license to act as an electronic [nicotine delivery
16 systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** retailer or a vape shop vendor:

17 (i) shall obtain a county license by submitting to the clerk an
18 application for each permanent or temporary place of business located in the same
19 enclosure and operated by the same applicant; and

20 (ii) except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, shall pay
21 to the clerk a fee of ~~[\$25]~~ **\$300**.

22 (2) The application shall:

23 (i) be made on the form that the clerk requires; and

24 (ii) contain the information that the Comptroller requires.

25 (c) A licensee shall display a license in the way that the Comptroller requires by
26 regulation.

27 (d) If a person has had a license revoked under § 16.7–207 of this subtitle, the
28 person may not reapply for a license within 1 year after the date when the prior license was
29 revoked.

30 16.7–203.

31 (a) The Comptroller shall issue an appropriate license to each applicant that
32 meets the requirements of this subtitle for a license to act as an electronic [nicotine delivery

1 systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** manufacturer, electronic [nicotine delivery systems]
2 **SMOKING DEVICES** wholesaler distributor, or electronic [nicotine delivery systems]
3 **SMOKING DEVICES** wholesaler importer.

4 (b) The clerk shall issue to each applicant that meets the requirements of this
5 subtitle a license to act as an electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES**
6 retailer or a vape shop vendor.

7 (c) The clerk shall forward a copy of an application received for each license
8 issued under subsection (b) of this section to the Comptroller within 30 days of issuance of
9 the license.

10 16.7–204.

11 (a) An electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** manufacturer
12 license authorizes the licensee to:

13 (1) sell electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** to:

14 (i) a licensed electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING**
15 **DEVICES** wholesaler located in the State;

16 (ii) an electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES**
17 wholesaler or retailer located outside the State if the electronic [nicotine delivery systems]
18 **SMOKING DEVICES** may be sold lawfully in Maryland;

19 (iii) a licensed vape shop vendor; and

20 (iv) a consumer if:

21 1. the licensee manufactured the [systems] **DEVICES**; and

22 2. the consumer purchases or orders the [systems] **DEVICES**
23 through the mail, a computer network, a telephonic network, or another electronic network;

24 (2) if the electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES**
25 manufacturer licensee also holds a license to act as an electronic [nicotine delivery systems]
26 **SMOKING DEVICES** retailer or a vape shop vendor, transfer electronic [nicotine delivery
27 systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** to inventory for sale under the retail license or vape shop
28 license; and

29 (3) except as otherwise prohibited or restricted under local law, this article,
30 or the Criminal Law Article, distribute electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING**
31 **DEVICES** products to a licensed electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES**
32 retailer or vape shop vendor.

1 (b) An electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** retailer license
2 authorizes the licensee to:

3 (1) sell electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** to
4 consumers;

5 (2) buy electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** from an
6 electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** wholesaler distributor or
7 electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** wholesaler importer;

8 (3) if the electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES**
9 retailer licensee also holds a license to act as an electronic [nicotine delivery systems]
10 **SMOKING DEVICES** manufacturer, sell at retail electronic [nicotine delivery systems]
11 **SMOKING DEVICES** manufactured under the manufacturer license; and

12 (4) except as otherwise prohibited or restricted under local law, this article,
13 the Criminal Law Article, or § 24–305 of the Health – General Article, distribute sample
14 electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** products to consumers in the
15 State.

16 (c) An electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** wholesaler
17 distributor license or electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** wholesaler
18 importer license authorizes the licensee to:

19 (1) sell electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** to
20 electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** retailers and vape shop vendors;

21 (2) buy electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** directly
22 from an electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** manufacturer and an
23 electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** wholesaler distributor or
24 electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** wholesaler importer;

25 (3) hold electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES**; and

26 (4) sell electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** to
27 another licensed electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** wholesaler
28 distributor or electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** wholesaler
29 importer.

30 (d) A vape shop vendor license authorizes the licensee to:

31 (1) sell electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** as a vape
32 shop vendor;

1 (2) if the vape shop vendor licensee also holds a license to act as an
2 electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** manufacturer, sell at retail
3 electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** manufactured under the
4 manufacturer license; and

5 (3) buy electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** from an
6 electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** manufacturer, an electronic
7 [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** wholesaler distributor, or an electronic
8 [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** wholesaler importer.

9 **16.7-204.1.**

10 (A) **A RETAIL LICENSEE SHALL POST A SIGN IN A LOCATION THAT IS**
11 **CLEARLY VISIBLE TO THE CONSUMER THAT STATES:**

12 “**NO PERSON UNDER THE AGE OF 21 MAY BE SOLD TOBACCO**
13 **PRODUCTS”.**

14 (B) **THE SIGN REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE WRITTEN IN**
15 **LETTERS AT LEAST ONE-HALF INCH HIGH.**

16 **16.7-206.**

17 (a) (1) A licensed electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES**
18 retailer or a licensed vape shop vendor may not assign the license.

19 (2) If a licensed electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES**
20 wholesaler distributor or electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES**
21 wholesaler importer sells the licensee’s electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING**
22 **DEVICES** business and pays to the Comptroller a license assignment fee of \$10, the licensee
23 may assign the license to the buyer of the business if the buyer otherwise qualifies under
24 this title for an electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** wholesaler’s
25 distributor or importer license.

26 (b) If the electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** business of a
27 licensee is transferred because of bankruptcy, death, incompetency, receivership, or
28 otherwise by operation of law, the Comptroller shall transfer the license without charge to
29 the new owner of the licensee’s business if the transferee otherwise qualifies under this
30 title for the license being transferred.

31 (c) (1) If a licensed electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES**
32 wholesaler distributor or electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES**
33 wholesaler importer surrenders the license to the Comptroller and if no disciplinary
34 proceedings are pending against the licensee, the Comptroller shall refund a pro rata
35 portion of the license fee for the unexpired term of the license.

1 (2) A licensed electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES**
2 retailer or a licensed vape shop vendor is not allowed a refund for the unexpired term of
3 the license.

4 16.7–207.

5 (a) Subject to the hearing provisions of § 16.7–208 of this subtitle, the Comptroller
6 may deny a license to an applicant, reprimand a licensee, or suspend or revoke a license if
7 the applicant or licensee:

8 (1) fraudulently or deceptively obtains or attempts to obtain a license for
9 the applicant, licensee, or another person;

10 (2) fraudulently or deceptively uses a license;

11 (3) buys electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** for
12 resale:

13 (i) in violation of a license; or

14 (ii) from a person that is not a licensed electronic [nicotine delivery
15 systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** manufacturer or a licensed electronic [nicotine delivery
16 systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** wholesaler;

17 (4) is convicted, under the laws of the United States or of any other state,
18 of:

19 (i) a felony; or

20 (ii) a misdemeanor that is a crime of moral turpitude and is directly
21 related to the fitness and qualification of the applicant or licensee;

22 (5) violates federal, State, or local law regarding the sale of electronic
23 [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES**; or

24 (6) violates this title, Title 16, or Title 16.5 of this article or regulations
25 adopted under these titles.

26 (b) Subject to the hearing provisions of § 16.7–208 of this subtitle, the Comptroller
27 shall deny a license to any applicant that has had a license revoked under this section until:

28 (1) 1 year has passed since the license was revoked; and

29 (2) it satisfactorily appears to the Comptroller that the applicant will
30 comply with this title and any regulations adopted under this title.

1 (c) Prior to the issuance or renewal of any license, the Comptroller shall conduct
2 an investigation with regard to:

- 3 (1) the applicant;
- 4 (2) the business to be operated; and
- 5 (3) the facts set forth in the application.

6 16.7–209.

7 (e) (1) (i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, if a
8 license issued under the provisions of this subtitle is suspended or revoked by the
9 Comptroller, the licensee may, before the effective date of the suspension or revocation,
10 petition the Comptroller for permission to make an offer of compromise consisting of a sum
11 of money in lieu of serving the suspension or revocation.

12 (ii) Subparagraph (i) of this paragraph does not apply if a license is
13 suspended or revoked for a violation of § 24–305 of the Health – General Article, or any
14 other federal, State, or local law prohibiting the sale of electronic [nicotine delivery
15 systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** to [minors] **INDIVIDUALS UNDER THE AGE OF 21 YEARS**.

16 (2) Money paid in lieu of suspension or revocation shall be paid into the
17 General Fund of the State.

18 (3) An offer of compromise may not exceed \$2,000 for retail licensees or
19 \$50,000 for other licensees.

20 (4) The Comptroller may accept the offer of compromise if:

21 (i) the public welfare and morals would not be impaired by allowing
22 the licensee to operate during the period set for the suspension or revocation; and

23 (ii) the payment of the sum of money will achieve the desired
24 disciplinary purposes.

25 (5) The Comptroller may adopt regulations to carry out this subsection.

26 16.7–211.

27 (a) A person may not act, attempt to act, or offer to act as an electronic [nicotine
28 delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** manufacturer, an electronic [nicotine delivery
29 systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** retailer, an electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING**
30 **DEVICES** wholesaler distributor, an electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING**
31 **DEVICES** wholesaler importer, or a vape shop vendor in the State unless the person has an

1 appropriate license.

2 (b) (1) A person that violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and on
3 conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or imprisonment not exceeding 30 days
4 or both.

5 (2) Each day that a violation of this section continues is a separate offense.

6 16.7–213.

7 (a) A person may not ship, import, or sell into or within the State any electronic
8 [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** unless the person holds any license
9 required by this subtitle.

10 (b) A person that ships, imports, or sells electronic [nicotine delivery systems]
11 **SMOKING DEVICES** into or within the State:

12 (1) shall comply with any federal and State requirements concerning the
13 placement of warning labels or other information on the containers or individual packages
14 of electronic [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES**; and

15 (2) shall ensure that the containers or individual packages of electronic
16 [nicotine delivery systems] **SMOKING DEVICES** do not contain any information or
17 markings that are false, misleading, or contrary to:

18 (i) federal trademark laws; or

19 (ii) the trademark law of the State under Title 1, Subtitle 4 of this
20 article.

21 (c) A person that ships, imports, or sells electronic [nicotine delivery systems]
22 **SMOKING DEVICES** into or within the State in violation of this section is subject to
23 disciplinary action by the Comptroller under § 16.7–207 of this subtitle.

24 **16.7–213.1.**

25 **(A) THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH MAY CONDUCT**
26 **UNANNOUNCED INSPECTIONS OF LICENSED RETAILERS TO ENSURE THE LICENSEE’S**
27 **COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE AND § 10–107 OF THE CRIMINAL**
28 **LAW ARTICLE.**

29 **(B) THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH MAY USE AN INDIVIDUAL**
30 **UNDER THE AGE OF 21 YEARS TO ASSIST IN CONDUCTING AN INSPECTION UNDER**
31 **THIS SECTION.**

32 **Article – Criminal Law**

1 10–101.

2 (a) In this part the following words have the meanings indicated.

3 (b) “Distribute” means to:

4 (1) give, sell, deliver, dispense, issue, or offer to give, sell, deliver, dispense,
5 or issue; or

6 (2) cause or hire a person to give, sell, deliver, dispense, issue or offer to
7 give, sell, deliver, dispense, or issue.

8 (c) (1) “Tobacco paraphernalia” means any object used, intended for use, or
9 designed for use in inhaling or otherwise introducing tobacco products into the human body.

10 (2) “Tobacco paraphernalia” includes:

11 (i) a cigarette rolling paper;

12 (ii) a metal, wooden, acrylic, glass, stone, plastic, or ceramic pipe
13 with or without screen, permanent screen, or punctured metal bowl;

14 (iii) a water pipe;

15 (iv) a carburetion tube or device;

16 (v) a smoking or carburetion mask;

17 (vi) an object known as a roach clip used to hold burning material,
18 such as a cigarette that has become too small or too short to be held in the hand;

19 (vii) a chamber pipe;

20 (viii) a carburetor pipe;

21 (ix) an electric pipe;

22 (x) an air–driven pipe;

23 (xi) a chillum;

24 (xii) a bong; and

25 (xiii) an ice pipe or chiller.

26 (d) (1) “Tobacco product” means a [substance containing tobacco] **PRODUCT**

1 **THAT IS:**

2 **(I) INTENDED FOR HUMAN INHALATION, ABSORPTION,**
3 **INGESTION, SMOKING, HEATING, CHEWING, DISSOLVING, OR ANY OTHER MANNER**
4 **OF CONSUMPTION THAT IS MADE OF, DERIVED FROM, OR CONTAINS:**

5 **1. TOBACCO; OR**

6 **2. NICOTINE; OR**

7 **(II) AN ACCESSORY OR A COMPONENT USED IN ANY MANNER OF**
8 **CONSUMPTION OF A PRODUCT DESCRIBED IN ITEM (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.**

9 (2) "Tobacco product" includes:

10 **(I) cigarettes, cigars, [smoking tobacco,] PIPE TOBACCO,**
11 **CHEWING TOBACCO, snuff, [smokeless tobacco,] and [candy-like products that contain**
12 **tobacco] SNUS;**

13 **(II) ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES; AND**

14 **(III) FILTERS, ROLLING PAPERS, PIPES, AND LIQUIDS USED IN**
15 **ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES REGARDLESS OF NICOTINE CONTENT.**

16 **(3) "TOBACCO PRODUCT" DOES NOT INCLUDE A DRUG, DEVICE, OR**
17 **COMBINATION PRODUCT AUTHORIZED FOR SALE BY THE U.S. FOOD AND DRUG**
18 **ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE FEDERAL FOOD, DRUG, AND COSMETIC ACT.**

19 (e) "Venereal disease" includes gonorrhea, syphilis, chancroid, and any diseased
20 condition of the human genitalia caused by, related to, or resulting from a venereal disease.

21 10-107.

22 (a) This section does not apply to the distribution of a coupon that is redeemable
23 for a tobacco product, if the coupon is:

24 (1) contained in a newspaper, magazine, or other type of publication in
25 which the coupon is incidental to the primary purpose of the publication; or

26 (2) sent through the mail.

27 (b) (1) This subsection does not apply to the distribution of a tobacco product[,]
28 **OR tobacco paraphernalia[, or an electronic nicotine delivery system] to [a minor] AN**
29 **INDIVIDUAL UNDER THE AGE OF 21 YEARS** who is acting solely as the agent of the
30 **[minor's] INDIVIDUAL'S** employer if the employer distributes tobacco products[,] **OR**

1 tobacco paraphernalia[, or electronic nicotine delivery systems] for commercial purposes.

2 (2) A person who distributes tobacco products for commercial purposes,
3 including a person licensed under Title 16 of the Business Regulation Article, may not
4 distribute to [a minor] **AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER THE AGE OF 21 YEARS:**

5 (i) a tobacco product;

6 (ii) tobacco paraphernalia; **OR**

7 (iii) a coupon redeemable for a tobacco product[; or

8 (iv) an electronic nicotine delivery system, as defined in § 16.7–101
9 of the Business Regulation Article].

10 (c) A person not described in subsection (b)(2) of this section may not:

11 (1) purchase for or sell a tobacco product [or an electronic nicotine delivery
12 system] to [a minor] **AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER THE AGE OF 21 YEARS;** or

13 (2) distribute tobacco paraphernalia to [a minor] **AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER**
14 **THE AGE OF 21 YEARS.**

15 (d) In a prosecution for a violation of this section, it is a defense that the defendant
16 examined the purchaser's or recipient's driver's license or other valid identification issued
17 by [an employer,] A government unit[, or institution of higher education] that positively
18 identified the purchaser or recipient as at least [18] **21** years of age.

19 (e) (1) A person who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and on
20 conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding:

21 (i) \$300 for a first violation;

22 (ii) \$1,000 for a second violation occurring within 2 years after the
23 first violation; and

24 (iii) \$3,000 for each subsequent violation occurring within 2 years
25 after the preceding violation.

26 (2) Issuance of a civil citation for the sale of a tobacco product [or an
27 electronic nicotine delivery system] to [a minor] **AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER THE AGE OF 21**
28 **YEARS** precludes a prosecution for a violation of § 24–307 of the Health – General Article
29 arising out of the same violation.

30 (f) For purposes of this section, each separate incident at a different time and
31 occasion is a violation.

1 [10–108.

2 (a) In this section, “violation” has the meaning stated in § 3–8A–01 of the Courts
3 Article.

4 (b) This section does not apply to the possession of a tobacco product, cigarette
5 rolling paper, or an electronic nicotine delivery system by a minor who is acting as the agent
6 of the minor’s employer within the scope of employment.

7 (c) A minor may not:

8 (1) use or possess a tobacco product, cigarette rolling paper, or an electronic
9 nicotine delivery system; or

10 (2) obtain or attempt to obtain a tobacco product, cigarette rolling paper,
11 or an electronic nicotine delivery system by using a form of identification that:

12 (i) is falsified; or

13 (ii) identifies an individual other than the minor.

14 (d) (1) A violation of this section is a civil offense.

15 (2) A minor who violates this section is subject to the procedures and
16 dispositions provided in Title 3, Subtitle 8A of the Courts Article.

17 (e) A law enforcement officer authorized to make arrests shall issue a citation to
18 a minor if the law enforcement officer has probable cause to believe that the minor is
19 committing or has committed a violation of this section.]

20 **Article – Health – General**

21 13–1001.

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

23 (u) **(1)** “Tobacco product” [includes cigars, cigarettes, pipe tobacco, and
24 smokeless tobacco] **MEANS ANY PRODUCT THAT IS:**

25 **(I) INTENDED FOR HUMAN INHALATION, ABSORPTION,**
26 **INGESTION, SMOKING, HEATING, CHEWING, DISSOLVING, OR ANY OTHER MANNER**
27 **OF CONSUMPTION THAT IS MADE OF, DERIVED FROM, OR CONTAINS:**

28 **1. TOBACCO; OR**

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2. NICOTINE; OR

(II) AN ACCESSORY OR COMPONENT USED IN ANY MANNER OF CONSUMPTION OF A PRODUCT DESCRIBED IN ITEM (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

(2) "TOBACCO PRODUCT" INCLUDES:

(I) CIGARETTES, CIGARS, PIPE TOBACCO, CHEWING TOBACCO, SNUFF, AND SNUS;

(II) ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES; AND

(III) FILTERS, ROLLING PAPERS, PIPES, AND LIQUIDS USED IN ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES REGARDLESS OF NICOTINE CONTENT.

(3) "TOBACCO PRODUCT" DOES NOT INCLUDE A DRUG, DEVICE, OR COMBINATION PRODUCT AUTHORIZED FOR SALE BY THE U.S. FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE FEDERAL FOOD, DRUG, AND COSMETIC ACT.

13–1015.

(a) For fiscal year 2011 and fiscal year 2012, the Governor shall include at least \$6,000,000 in the annual budget in appropriations for activities aimed at reducing tobacco use in Maryland as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, including:

(1) Media campaigns aimed at reducing smoking initiation and encouraging smokers to quit smoking;

(2) Media campaigns educating the public about the dangers of secondhand smoke exposure;

(3) Enforcement of existing laws banning the sale or distribution of tobacco products to [minors] **INDIVIDUALS UNDER THE AGE OF 21 YEARS;**

(4) Promotion and implementation of smoking cessation programs; and

(5) Implementation of school-based tobacco education programs.

(b) For fiscal year 2013 and each fiscal year thereafter, the Governor shall include at least \$10,000,000 in the annual budget in appropriations for the purposes described in subsection (a) of this section.

24–305.

1 (b) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, a person may
2 not sell, distribute, or offer for sale to [a minor] **AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER THE AGE OF 21**
3 **YEARS** an electronic [nicotine delivery system] **SMOKING DEVICE**, as defined in §
4 16.7–101(c) of the Business Regulation Article.

5 (2) This subsection does not apply to an electronic [nicotine delivery
6 system] **SMOKING DEVICE** that contains or delivers nicotine intended for human
7 consumption if the device has been approved by the United States Food and Drug
8 Administration for sale as a tobacco cessation product and is being marketed and sold solely
9 for this purpose.

10 (c) (1) A person that violates this section is subject to a civil penalty not
11 exceeding:

12 (i) \$300 for a first violation;

13 (ii) \$1,000 for a second violation occurring within 24 months after
14 the first violation; and

15 (iii) \$3,000 for each subsequent violation occurring within 24 months
16 after the preceding violation.

17 (2) Issuance of a civil citation for a violation of this section precludes
18 prosecution under § 10–107 of the Criminal Law Article arising out of the same violation.

19 **(3) IF A VIOLATION IS COMMITTED BY A PERSON ACTING ON BEHALF**
20 **OF A RETAILER, THE CIVIL PENALTY IMPOSED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS**
21 **SUBSECTION SHALL BE PAID BY THE RETAILER.**

22 (d) In a prosecution for a violation of this section, it is a defense that the defendant
23 examined the purchaser's or recipient's driver's license or other valid identification issued
24 by [an employer,] A government unit[, or institution of higher education] that positively
25 identified the purchaser or recipient as at least [18] **21** years of age.

26 24–307.

27 (a) (1) This section does not apply to the distribution of a coupon that is
28 redeemable for a tobacco product if the coupon is:

29 (i) Contained in a newspaper, a magazine, or any other type of
30 publication in which the coupon is incidental to the primary purpose of the publication; or

31 (ii) Sent through the mail.

32 (2) This section does not apply to the distribution of a tobacco product or
33 tobacco paraphernalia to [a minor] **AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER THE AGE OF 21 YEARS** who

1 is acting solely as the agent of the [minor's] **INDIVIDUAL'S** employer if the employer
2 distributes tobacco products or tobacco paraphernalia for commercial purposes.

3 (b) A person who distributes tobacco products for commercial purposes, including
4 a person licensed under Title 16 of the Business Regulation Article, may not distribute to
5 [a minor] **AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER THE AGE OF 21 YEARS:**

6 (1) A tobacco product;

7 (2) Tobacco paraphernalia; or

8 (3) A coupon redeemable for a tobacco product.

9 (c) (1) A person who violates subsection (b) of this section is subject to a civil
10 penalty not exceeding:

11 (i) \$300 for a first violation;

12 (ii) \$1,000 for a second violation occurring within 24 months after
13 the first violation; and

14 (iii) \$3,000 for each subsequent violation occurring within 24 months
15 after the preceding violation.

16 (2) The local health departments shall report violations of subsection (b) of
17 this section to the Comptroller's Office.

18 (3) Issuance of a civil citation for a violation of this section precludes
19 prosecution under § 10–107 of the Criminal Law Article arising out of the same violation.

20 **(4) IF A VIOLATION IS COMMITTED BY A PERSON ACTING ON BEHALF**
21 **OF A RETAILER, THE CIVIL PENALTY IMPOSED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS**
22 **SUBSECTION SHALL BE PAID BY THE RETAILER.**

23 (d) In a prosecution for a violation of subsection (b) of this section, it is a defense
24 that the defendant examined the purchaser's or recipient's driver's license or other valid
25 identification issued by [an employer,] a governmental unit[, or an institution of higher
26 education] that positively identified the purchaser or recipient as at least [18] **21** years old.

27 Article – Local Government

28 1–1201.

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

30 (b) “Distribute” means to:

- 1 (1) give, sell, deliver, dispense, or issue;
- 2 (2) offer to give, sell, deliver, dispense, or issue; or
- 3 (3) cause or hire any person to give, sell, deliver, dispense, or issue or offer
4 to give, sell, deliver, dispense, or issue.

5 (c) (1) “Tobacco product” means a product [containing tobacco] **THAT IS:**

6 **(I) INTENDED FOR HUMAN INHALATION, ABSORPTION,**
7 **INGESTION, SMOKING, HEATING, CHEWING, DISSOLVING, OR ANY OTHER MANNER**
8 **OF CONSUMPTION THAT IS MADE OF, DERIVED FROM, OR CONTAINS:**

9 **1. TOBACCO; OR**

10 **2. NICOTINE; OR**

11 **(II) AN ACCESSORY OR A COMPONENT USED IN ANY MANNER OF**
12 **CONSUMPTION OF A PRODUCT DESCRIBED IN ITEM (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.**

13 (2) “Tobacco product” includes:

14 **(I) cigarettes, cigars, [smoking tobacco,] PIPE TOBACCO,**
15 **CHEWING TOBACCO, snuff, and [smokeless tobacco] SNUS;**

16 **(II) ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES; AND**

17 **(III) FILTERS, ROLLING PAPERS, PIPES, AND LIQUIDS USED IN**
18 **ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES REGARDLESS OF NICOTINE CONTENT.**

19 **(3) “TOBACCO PRODUCT” DOES NOT INCLUDE A DRUG, DEVICE, OR**
20 **COMBINATION PRODUCT AUTHORIZED FOR SALE BY THE U.S. FOOD AND DRUG**
21 **ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE FEDERAL FOOD, DRUG, AND COSMETIC ACT.**

22 1–1203.

23 (a) This section applies only in:

24 (1) Carroll County;

25 (2) Cecil County;

26 (3) Garrett County; and

1 (4) St. Mary's County.

2 (c) A person may not:

3 (1) distribute a tobacco product to [a minor] **AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER THE**
4 **AGE OF 21 YEARS**, unless the [minor] **INDIVIDUAL** is acting solely as the agent of the
5 [minor's] **INDIVIDUAL'S** employer who is engaged in the business of distributing tobacco
6 products;

7 (2) distribute cigarette rolling papers to [a minor] **AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER**
8 **THE AGE OF 21 YEARS**; or

9 (3) distribute to [a minor] **AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER THE AGE OF 21**
10 **YEARS** a coupon redeemable for a tobacco product.

11 (d) A person has not violated this section if:

12 (1) the person examined the driver's license or other valid
13 government-issued identification presented by the recipient of a tobacco product, cigarette
14 rolling paper, or coupon redeemable for a tobacco product; and

15 (2) the license or other identification positively identified the recipient as
16 being at least [18] **21** years old.

17 Article – State Finance and Procurement

18 7–317.

19 (f) (1) The Cigarette Restitution Fund shall be used to fund:

20 (i) the Tobacco Use Prevention and Cessation Program established
21 under Title 13, Subtitle 10 of the Health – General Article;

22 (ii) the Cancer Prevention, Education, Screening, and Treatment
23 Program established under Title 13, Subtitle 11 of the Health – General Article; and

24 (iii) other programs that serve the following purposes:

25 1. reduction of the use of tobacco products by [minors]
26 **INDIVIDUALS UNDER THE AGE OF 21 YEARS**;

27 2. implementation of the Southern Maryland Regional
28 Strategy–Action Plan for Agriculture adopted by the Tri–County Council for Southern
29 Maryland with an emphasis on alternative crop uses for agricultural land now used for
30 growing tobacco;

1 3. public and school education campaigns to decrease tobacco
2 use with initial emphasis on areas targeted by tobacco manufacturers in marketing and
3 promoting cigarette and tobacco products;

4 4. smoking cessation programs;

5 5. enforcement of the laws regarding tobacco sales;

6 6. the purposes of the Maryland Health Care Foundation
7 under Title 20, Subtitle 5 of the Health – General Article;

8 7. primary health care in rural areas of the State and areas
9 targeted by tobacco manufacturers in marketing and promoting cigarette and tobacco
10 products;

11 8. prevention, treatment, and research concerning cancer,
12 heart disease, lung disease, tobacco product use, and tobacco control, including operating
13 costs and related capital projects;

14 9. substance abuse treatment and prevention programs; and

15 10. any other public purpose.

16 (2) The provisions of this subsection may not be construed to affect the
17 Governor's powers with respect to a request for an appropriation in the annual budget bill.

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
19 October 1, 2019.