

# HOUSE BILL 178

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By: **Delegates Chang and Krimm**

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Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Health – Cottage Food Businesses – Annual Revenues**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “cottage food business” for the purpose of  
4 increasing the cap on the annual revenue from the sale of cottage food products that  
5 a cottage food business may earn; and generally relating to cottage food businesses  
6 and annual revenues.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

8 Article – Health – General

9 Section 21–301(a)

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

13 Article – Health – General

14 Section 21–301(b–1)

15 Annotated Code of Maryland

16 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

18 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

19 **Article – Health – General**

20 21–301.

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

22 (b–1) “Cottage food business” means a business that:

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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- 1           (1)     Produces or packages cottage food products in a residential kitchen;
- 2           (2)     Sells the cottage food products in accordance with § 21–330.1 of this  
3 subtitle and regulations adopted by the Department; and
- 4           (3)     Has annual revenues from the sale of cottage food products in an  
5 amount not exceeding [~~\$25,000~~] **\$100,000**.

6           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
7 October 1, 2022.