SENATE BILL 249

By: Senator Hayes
Introduced and read first time: January 14, 2022
Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Cigarettes, Other Tobacco Products, and Electronic Smoking Devices – Local Laws Authorization

FOR the purpose of authorizing Baltimore City to enact and enforce local laws regulating the sale and distribution of cigarettes, other tobacco products, and electronic smoking devices, subject to certain exceptions; and generally relating to the regulation of cigarettes, other tobacco products, and electronic smoking devices in Baltimore City.

BY adding to

Article – Business Regulation
Section 16–308.4, 16.5–104, and 16.7–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

Article – Business Regulation

16–308.4.


16.5–104.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
EXCEPT FOR THE ISSUANCE OF LICENSES UNDER THIS TITLE OR THE
IMPOSITION OF TAXES ON OTHER TOBACCO PRODUCTS UNDER TITLE 12 OF THE
TAX – GENERAL ARTICLE, THE BALTIMORE CITY COUNCIL MAY ENACT AND THE
MAYOR OF BALTIMORE CITY MAY ENFORCE LOCAL LAWS THAT ARE AT LEAST AS
STRINGENT AS THE PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE THAT REGULATE THE SALE AND
DISTRIBUTION OF OTHER TOBACCO PRODUCTS.

16.7–103.

EXCEPT FOR THE ISSUANCE OF LICENSES UNDER THIS TITLE, THE
BALTIMORE CITY COUNCIL MAY ENACT AND THE MAYOR OF BALTIMORE CITY MAY
ENFORCE LOCAL LAWS THAT ARE AT LEAST AS STRINGENT AS THE PROVISIONS OF
THIS TITLE THAT REGULATE THE SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRONIC
SMOKING DEVICES.

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