

SENATE BILL 256

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By: ~~Senator Hester~~ **Senators Hester, Augustine, Brooks, Carozza, and Watson**

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Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

Committee Report: Favorable with amendments

Senate action: Adopted with floor amendments

Read second time: February 26, 2023

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Environment – Fire-Fighting Training – Oriented Strand Board – Prohibition**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting the setting on fire or burning of oriented strand board for
4 certain fire-fighting training; and generally relating to fire-fighting training and
5 oriented strand board.

6 BY adding to

7 Article – Environment

8 Section 6–1701 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 17. Miscellaneous Provisions”

9 Annotated Code of Maryland

10 (2013 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)

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

13 **Article – Environment**

14 **SUBTITLE 17. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.**

15 **6–1701.**

16 (A) IN THIS SECTION, “ORIENTED STRAND BOARD” MEANS A
17 MULTILAYERED BOARD THAT IS:

18 (1) MADE FROM STRANDS OF WOOD, TOGETHER WITH A BINDER, BY

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.



1 THE APPLICATION OF HEAT AND PRESSURE, WITH THE STRANDS IN THE EXTERNAL
 2 LAYER PRIMARILY ORIENTED ALONG THE STRENGTH AXIS OF THE PANEL IN
 3 ACCORDANCE WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE VOLUNTARY PRODUCT
 4 STANDARD PS 2-18, PERFORMANCE STANDARD FOR WOOD STRUCTURAL PANELS;
 5 AND

6 (2) INTENDED TO BE USED AS A COVERING MATERIAL FOR ROOFS,
 7 SUBFLOORS, AND WALLS WHEN FASTENED TO SUPPORTS.

8 (B) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO THE MANUFACTURE, SALE, USE, OR
 9 DISTRIBUTION OF PRODUCTS OR MATERIALS THAT CONTAIN ORIENTED STRAND
 10 BOARD FOR PURPOSES OUTSIDE OF FIRE-FIGHTING TRAINING PURPOSES.

11 (C) A PERSON MAY NOT SET ON FIRE OR BURN ORIENTED STRAND BOARD
 12 FOR FIRE-FIGHTING TRAINING PURPOSES.

13 (D) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS SUBJECT TO:

14 (1) FOR A FIRST VIOLATION, ~~A CIVIL~~ AN ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY
 15 NOT EXCEEDING \$500; AND

16 (2) FOR A SECOND OR SUBSEQUENT VIOLATION, A CIVIL PENALTY
 17 NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000.

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
 19 October 1, 2023.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.