

## Chapter 359

**(House Bill 968)**

AN ACT concerning

**Business Regulation – Licensing – Definition of Storage Warehouse**

FOR the purpose of altering, with respect to business licensing requirements in the State, the definition of “storage warehouse” to exclude a self-service storage facility; and generally relating to the licensing and regulation of storage warehouses.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Business Regulation

Section 17–1201

Annotated Code of Maryland

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BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Business Regulation

Section 17–1202

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

**Article – Business Regulation**

17–1201.

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

(b) **(1)** “Storage warehouse” means a building or structure used for keeping goods for a fee.

**(2) “STORAGE WAREHOUSE” DOES NOT INCLUDE A SELF-SERVICE STORAGE FACILITY.**

(c) “Storage warehouse license” means a license issued by the clerk to keep a storage warehouse.

17–1202.

A person must have a storage warehouse license whenever the person keeps a storage warehouse where goods are stored for a fee in the State.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2025.

**Approved by the Governor, May 6, 2025.**