SENATE BILL 175

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 SB 586/24 – EEE
 (PRE-FILED)
 CF HB 222

By: Senators Lewis Young and Brooks

Requested: August 30, 2024

AN ACT concerning

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Introduced and read first time: January 8, 2025

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

A BILL ENTITLED

2	Public Safety – Corrugated Stainless Steel Tubing for Fuel Gas Piping Systems –

3 Requirements and Prohibitions

- FOR the purpose of prohibiting the sale, offer for sale, transfer, or distribution of corrugated stainless steel tubing that does not meet certain qualifications; requiring certain tubing used in the construction of fuel gas piping systems in certain buildings to meet certain qualifications; and generally relating to corrugated stainless steel tubing.
- 9 BY adding to
- 10 Article Business Regulation
- 11 Section 19–108
- 12 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 13 (2024 Replacement Volume)
- 14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 15 Article Public Safety
- 16 Section 12–206
- 17 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 18 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)
- 19 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
- 20 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

21 Article – Business Regulation

- 22 **19–108.**
- 23 (A) A PERSON MAY NOT SELL, OFFER FOR SALE, TRANSFER, OR DISTRIBUTE

1 CORRUGATED STAINLESS STEEL TUBING THAT:

- 2 (1) DOES NOT MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE LC1027 STANDARD
- 3 DESCRIBED IN THE MOST RECENT EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FUEL AND GAS
- 4 CODE ISSUED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL; OR
- 5 (2) HAS NOT BEEN PROVEN TO WITHSTAND AT LEAST 36 COULOMBS 6 OF ELECTRICAL ARCING CHARGE BY AN ELECTRICAL ARCING TEST.
- 7 (B) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS SUBJECT TO A CIVIL 8 PENALTY NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000.

Article - Public Safety

10 12-206.

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- 11 (a) This section applies to any building that uses fuel gas piping systems not subject to Title 49, Part 192 of the Code of Federal Regulations.
- 13 (b) [Non-arc-resistant jacketed] ONLY corrugated stainless steel tubing THAT
- 14 MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE LC1027 STANDARD DESCRIBED IN THE MOST
- 15 RECENT EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FUEL AND GAS CODE ISSUED BY THE
- 16 INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL OR HAS BEEN PROVEN TO WITHSTAND AT LEAST
- 17 36 COULOMBS OF ELECTRICAL ARCING CHARGE BY AN ELECTRICAL ARCING TEST
- 18 may [not] be used in:
- 19 (1) the new construction of a customer—owned natural gas or liquefied 20 propane piping system in a building;
- 21 (2) a natural gas or liquefied propane piping system in a renovated
- 22 property if the renovation affects more than 50% of the total square footage of the property;
- 23 or
- 24 (3) a natural gas or liquefied propane piping system that requires the 25 addition of a new gas line to the gas piping system.
- 26 (C) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS SUBJECT TO A CIVIL 27 PENALTY NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 29 October 1, 2027.