

CHAPTER 496.

AN ACT to regulate the packing of fruits, vegetables and other articles of food in cans, jars or other hermetically sealed vessels, and to prevent and punish the sale of fraudulently packed goods.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That it shall be unlawful in this State for any packer or dealer in hermetically canned or preserved fruits, vegetables or other articles of food, excepting oysters, to sell such canned or preserved fruits, vegetables or other articles of food aforesaid, unless the cans, jars or vessels which contain the same shall bear the name and address of the person, firm or corporation that canned or packed the article, or the name of the dealer who purchases the same from the packer or his agent; such name, address or place of business, shall be plainly printed on the label in letters not less than three-sixteenths of an inch in height, and one-eighth of an inch in breadth, together with a brand, mark or term indicating clearly the grade or quality of the article contained therein.

Label.

SEC 2. *And be it enacted,* That all packers and dealers in soaked goods put up from products dried or cured before canning and sealing, shall, in addition to complying with the provisions of section one of this act, cause to be printed plainly, diagonally across the face of the label in good, legible type one-half of an inch in height, and three-eighths of an inch in width the words "Soaked Goods."

Soaked goods.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That any person violating any provision of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and punished by a fine of not less than fifty dollars nor more than one thousand dollars for each offence, to be recovered by indictment in any Court of

Fine.