

CHAPTER 495

(House Bill 204)

AN ACT to add new Section 195(b-2) to Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume), title and subtitle "Crimes and Punishments," subheading "Fraud—False Advertisements," to follow immediately after Section 195(b-1), making it unlawful to sell or dispose of used merchandise unless the merchandise is clearly identified as used merchandise and is marked as such on the bill of sale REPOSSESSED, REBUILT OR SECOND-HAND MERCHANDISE UNLESS IT IS IDENTIFIED AS SUCH.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That new Section 195(b-2) be and it is hereby added to Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume), title and subtitle "Crimes and Punishments," subheading "Fraud—False Advertisements," to follow immediately after Section 195 (b-1) thereof, and to read as follows:

195.

(b-2) *It is unlawful for any person to sell or dispose of used merchandise unless the merchandise is clearly identified as used merchandise and is marked as such on the bill of sale* NO PERSON SHALL OFFER FOR SALE REPOSSESSED, RECONDITIONED, REBUILT OR SECOND-HAND MERCHANDISE, KNOWING THE MERCHANDISE TO BE SUCH, UNLESS THE MERCHANDISE IS CLEARLY IDENTIFIED AS SUCH, OR UNLESS THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE SALE MAKES IT CLEAR TO THE A REASONABLE PURCHASER THAT THE MERCHANDISE IS REPOSSESSED, RECONDITIONED, REBUILT OR SECOND-HAND.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1972.

Approved May 26, 1972.

CHAPTER 496

(House Bill 209)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 88 of Article 16 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Replacement Volume), title "Chancery," subtitle "Adoption," to remove some restrictions regarding adoption in Washington County, and generally relating thereto.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 88 of Article 16 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Replacement Volume), title "Chancery," subtitle "Adoption," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows: