

AN ACT concerning

Food Products - Sale By Weight - Exceptions

FOR the purpose of allowing the Secretary of Agriculture to specify whether certain meat, poultry, or seafood products are offered or exposed for sale or sold by weight; revising and restating certain exceptions to the requirement that certain products only be offered or exposed for sale or sold by weight; excluding condiments from certain provisions of this Act; allowing certain chicken parts to be sold by weight, measure, or count; and generally providing for offering or exposing for sale or selling certain meat, poultry, or seafood products by weight, measure, or count.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Agriculture  
Section 11-311(a)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1974 Volume and 1983 Supplement)

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

Article - Agriculture

11-311.

(a) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION OR AS SPECIFIED BY THE SECRETARY, [Any] ANY meat, meat product, poultry, and all seafood offered or exposed for sale or sold as food shall be offered or exposed for sale and sold by weight[, unless it is for immediate consumption on the premises where sold, it is one of several elements comprising a ready-to-eat meal as a unit for consumption elsewhere than on the premises, or it is shellfish].

(2) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE FOLLOWING PRODUCTS MAY BE OFFERED OR EXPOSED FOR SALE OR SOLD BY WEIGHT, MEASURE, OR COUNT:

(I) SHELLFISH;

(II) ITEMS FOR CONSUMPTION ON THE PREMISES WHERE SOLD;

(III) ITEMS SOLD AS 1 OF 3 OR MORE DIFFERENT ELEMENTS, EXCLUDING CONDIMENTS, THAT COMPRISE A READY-TO-EAT MEAL SOLD AS A UNIT FOR CONSUMPTION ELSEWHERE THAN ON THE PREMISES WHERE SOLD; AND

(IV) COOKED AND READY-TO-EAT CHICKEN PARTS THAT