

CHAPTER 59.

AN ACT to repeal Sections 283, 284 and 285 of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1924 Edition), title "Crimes and Punishments," sub-title "Health—Narcotic Drugs," and to enact in lieu thereof twenty-nine new sections, to be known as Sections 283 to 285Z, defining and relating to narcotic drugs, making uniform the law relating thereto and providing penalties for the violation thereof.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Sections 283, 284 and 285 of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1924 Edition), title "Crimes and Punishments," sub-title "Health—Narcotic Drugs," be and they are hereby repealed and that twenty-nine new sections, to be known as Sections 283 to 285Z, be and they are hereby enacted in lieu thereof, to read as follows:

283. The following words and phrases as used in this sub-title shall have the following meanings unless the context otherwise requires:

(a) "Person" includes any corporation, association, co-partnership or one or more individuals.

(b) "Physician" means any person authorized by law to practice medicine in this State and any other person authorized by law to treat sick and injured human beings in this State and to use narcotic drugs in connection with such treatment.

(c) "Dentist" means any person authorized by law to practice dentistry in this State.

(d) "Veterinarian" means any person authorized by law to practice veterinary medicine in this State.

(e) "Manufacturer" means a person who by compounding, mixing, cultivating, growing or other process produces or prepares narcotic drugs, but does not include a pharmacist who compounds narcotic drugs to be sold or dispensed on prescription.

(f) "Wholesaler" means a person who supplies narcotic drugs that he himself has not produced or prepared, on official written order, but not on prescription.

(g) "Pharmacist" means a registered pharmacist and assistant registered pharmacists of this State.

(h) "Pharmacy Owner" means the owner of a store or other place of business where narcotic drugs are com-