

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect, retroactively, as of January 1, 1931.

Approved April 17, 1931.

CHAPTER 360.

AN ACT to add five new sections to Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1924 Edition), title "Crimes and Punishments," to be known under sub-title "Health—Methanol" (wood alcohol), said new sections to follow immediately after Section 277 of said Article and to be known as Sections 277A, 277B, 277C, 277D and 277E, for the purpose of regulating the sale, offering for sale, giving away or transfer of liquids or articles commonly known as anti-freeze.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That five new sections be and they are hereby added to Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1924 Edition), title "Crimes and Punishments," to be known under sub-title "Health—Methanol" (wood alcohol), said new sections to follow immediately after Section 277 of said Article, to be known as Sections 277A, 277B, 277C, 277D and 277E, and to read as follows:

HEALTH—Methanol (Wood Alcohol).

277A. That the word "person" as used in this Act shall be construed to include natural persons, copartnerships, associations, and corporations.

The word "methanol" as used in this Act, shall be construed to mean and include the products commonly known as "methanol," "methyl alcohol," "wood alcohol," "Columbian spirits," "Colonial spirits," "wood naphtha," "methyl hydroxide," "methyl hydrate," and "greenwood spirits," and any similar poisonous alcohol.

277B. On and after June 1, 1931, it shall be unlawful for any person to sell, offer for sale, give away, or transfer to another person, any article commonly known as anti-freeze, containing in excess of 10 per cent. of methanol, unless the following provisions are complied with: