

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 149 to 156, inclusive, of Article 48 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Inspections", sub-title "Seed", be and the same are hereby repealed and new Sections 149 to 156, inclusive, enacted in lieu thereof, to follow immediately after Section 148 of said Article, and to read as follows:

149. *(Definitions.) When used in this sub-title—*

(a) *The term "person" shall include an individual, a partnership, corporation, company, society, or association.*

(b) *The term "wholesale seedsmen" shall include any person who sells, offers for sale, exposes for sale or transports for sale seed for planting purposes to a retail seedsman.*

(c) *The term "retail seedsman" shall include any person who sells, offers for sale, exposes for sale or transports for sale seed for planting purposes to the consumer.*

(d) *The term "consumer" shall include any person who purchases or otherwise obtains seed for planting purposes but not for resale.*

(e) *The term "agricultural seeds" shall include the seeds of grass, forage, cereal and fiber crops and any other kind of seeds commonly recognized within this State as agricultural or field seeds, lawn seed and mixtures of such seeds, and may include restricted noxious weed seeds when the State Board of Agriculture or its duly authorized agent determine that such seed is being used as agricultural seed.*

(f) *The term "vegetable seeds" shall include the seeds, tubers or plants of those crops which are grown in gardens or on truck farms and are generally known and sold under the name of vegetable seeds within this State.*

(g) *The term "flower seeds" shall include seeds of herbaceous plants grown for their blooms, ornamental foliage or other ornamental part and commonly known and sold under the name of flower seeds in this State.*

(h) *The term "tree and shrub seeds" shall include seeds of woody plants and herbs commonly known and sold as tree and shrub seeds in this State.*

(i) *The term "weed seeds" shall include the seeds or bulblets of all plants generally recognized as weeds within this State, and shall include noxious weed seeds.*

(j) *Noxious weed seeds are divided into two classes—Prohibited Noxious weed seeds and Restricted Noxious weed seeds as defined in (1) and (2) of this paragraph:*

(1) *"Prohibited Noxious weed seeds" are the seed of perennial weeds such as not only reproduced by seed but also spread by underground roots, stems, and other reproductive parts, and which when well established, are highly destructive and difficult to control in this State by ordinary good cultural practices and the seed of which is prohibited by this sub-title.*

Prohibited Noxious weed seed in this State are the seeds of:

(1) *Cirsium arvense (L) Scop., Canada thistle*

(2) *Agropyron repens (L) Beauv., Quackgrass*