

CHAPTER 852

(Senate Bill 199)

AN ACT concerning

Gasoline Products Marketing Act -
Marketing Agreements

FOR the purpose of including certain oral agreements within the application of the Maryland Gasoline Products Marketing Act, establishing certain penalties for termination or cancellation of agreements by distributors under certain circumstances, and prohibiting the unreasonable refusal by distributors to renew a marketing agreement and generally relating to marketing agreements[.] and providing that the Gasoline Products Marketing Act shall constitute a statement of the public policy of this State.

BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments,

Article 23 - Corporations
Section 167C, 167E and 167F
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1973 Replacement Volume and 1973 Supplement)

By adding to

Article 23 - Corporations
Section 167J
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1973 Replacement Volume and 1973 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Sections 167C, 167E and 167F of Article 23 - Corporations, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1973 Replacement Volume and 1973 Supplement) be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 23 - Corporations

167C.

As used in this subheading, the term

(1) "Distributor" means any person engaged in the sale, consignment, or distribution of gasoline products through retail outlets which it owns or leases, and who maintains [a] AN ORAL OR written contractual relationship with a dealer for the sale of the products, and shall