

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1979.

Approved May 29, 1979.

CHAPTER 471

(Senate Bill 596)

AN ACT concerning

Handguns - Antique Pistol or Revolver

FOR the purpose of defining the term "antique pistol or revolver" to mean a pistol or revolver manufactured before a certain date and a replica of a pistol or revolver which meets certain conditions specified in the Act.

BY adding to

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments
Section 441 (g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1976 Replacement Volume and 1978 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

441.

(G) THE TERM "ANTIQUÉ PISTOL OR REVOLVER" MEANS:

(1) ANY PISTOL OR REVOLVER (INCLUDING ANY PISTOL OR REVOLVER WITH A MATCHLOCK, FLINTLOCK, PERCUSSION CAP, OR SIMILAR TYPE OF IGNITION SYSTEM) MANUFACTURED IN OR BEFORE 1898; AND

(2) ANY REPLICÁ OF ANY PISTOL OR REVOLVER DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (1) IF THE REPLICÁ:

(I) IS NOT DESIGNED OR REDESIGNED FOR USING RIMFIRE OR CONVENTIONAL CENTERFIRE FIXED AMMUNITION; OR

(II) USES RIMFIRE OR CONVENTIONAL CENTERFIRE FIXED AMMUNITION WHICH IS NO LONGER MANUFACTURED IN THE UNITED STATES AND WHICH IS NOT READILY AVAILABLE IN THE ORDINARY CHANNELS OF COMMERCIAL TRADE.