

as obsolete and inconsistent with the later enacted provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act and the Courts Article.

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PART V. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS; PROHIBITED ACTS.

4-328. SWEETENER REQUIREMENTS.

(A) KINDS OF SWEETENER.

EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, EACH SOFT DRINK MANUFACTURER SHALL INCLUDE IN EACH SOFT DRINK AS A SWEETENER:

- (1) PURE CANE SUGAR SYRUP;
- (2) PURE BEET SUGAR SYRUP;
- (3) PURE CORN SUGAR SYRUP;
- (4) ANY OTHER NATURAL SWEETENER THAT THE SECRETARY APPROVES BY RULE OR REGULATION; OR
- (5) ANY ARTIFICIAL SWEETENER THAT THE SECRETARY APPROVES BY RULE OR REGULATION.

(B) QUANTITIES REQUIRED FOR CERTAIN SWEETENERS.

IF, AS A SWEETENER, THE MANUFACTURER USES ONLY PURE CANE SUGAR SYRUP OR PURE BEET SUGAR SYRUP, THE MANUFACTURER SHALL USE ENOUGH SWEETENER TO MAKE THE SUGAR CONTENT OF THE FINISHED SOFT DRINK AT LEAST:

- (1) 6 PERCENT BY WEIGHT IN THE CASE OF GINGER ALE; AND
- (2) 7 PERCENT BY WEIGHT IN THE CASE OF ALL OTHER SOFT DRINKS.

(C) EXCEPTIONS.

THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO:

- (1) BOTTLED WATER;
- (2) FRUIT JUICE;
- (3) ANY BITTER DRINK;
- (4) IMITATION BEER; OR