

article provided, it is hereby declared to be unlawful for any or all other persons, partnerships [of] OR bodies corporate to use or fill any such registered returnable containers (whether actually in existence at the time of such registration or not) with any contents of a nature different from that delivered therein; or to sell, buy, rent or otherwise traffic in any clean, [laundered] LAUNDERED, or soiled articles mentioned in this chapter so marked or designated as provided herein; or to wilfully deface, erase, obliterate, cover up, or otherwise remove, conceal or destroy, any such name, mark or device of identification affixed, attached, impressed or imprinted thereto or thereon; or to wilfully break, destroy or otherwise injure any such returnable container, or such clean articles; or to have on sale, offer for sale, buy, sell, use, take, give, receive, handle in the course of business, hire, rent, lend, transport, convey in any vehicle of any kind or character, collect from ash or garbage receptacles, public or private dumps or premises, or to otherwise keep in stock or store, or to otherwise dispose of, deal in, or traffic in any of the said returnable containers, or parts or pieces of the same, or in such [clean laundered] CLEAN, LAUNDERED, or soiled articles, without an assignment from or the written consent of the one causing the same to be registered; and all such unlawful acts are declared to be misdemeanors, and upon conviction thereof the offender for the first offense shall be punished by an imprisonment of not more than one year, or by a fine of not more than \$50 [dollars], and for the second offense and subsequent offenses, by imprisonment for not more than one year, or by a fine of not more than \$250 [dollars] or by both fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the court before whom such offender is tried; the said fines and all costs incurred to be collected in the same manner as other fines and costs are collected. In any prosecution under this section the possession by the one so accused of any such [clean laundered] CLEAN, LAUNDERED, or soiled articles or of any registered returnable container or of any part or parts thereof other than by a garbage man collecting the same in the regular course of his business, and other than the possession of any such container by the one who received the same with its contents, or possession of any registered [clean laundered] CLEAN, LAUNDERED, or soiled articles, shall be prima facie evidence that such person is guilty of the offenses so charged.

DRAFTER'S NOTE:

Error: Redundant language, omitted punctuation, and incorrect word due to printing error in Article 27, § 474.

Occurred: Redundant language occurred in Ch. 747, Acts of 1987; omitted punctuation occurred prior to 1957 codification of the Annotated Code of Maryland; and the printing error occurred in the 1972 Cumulative