that the food service facility uses in the preparation of each item on the menu of the food service facility; excluding certain organizations from a certain requirement; defining certain terms; and generally relating to certain additives and allergens used by certain food service facilities in the preparation of food establishing a Task Force on Food Allergies and Restaurant Patrons to examine the concerns that a person with a food allergy may have about eating in a restaurant; providing for the membership of the Task Force; requiring the Governor to appoint the Chairman of the Task Force; requiring the Department of Legislative Services Health and Mental Hygiene to staff the Task Force; establishing the duties of the Task Force; providing that a member of the Task Force may not be compensated but may receive travel expenses; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to a Task Force to examine the concerns that a person with a food allergy may have about eating in a restaurant.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article Health General

Section-21 301(e) and (h), 21 304(a)(1), and 21 1214

Annotated Code of Maryland

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## BY adding to

Article Health General

Section 21 330.1

**Annotated Code of Maryland** 

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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

## Article - Health - General

## 21 301.

(c) "Excluded organization" means a volunteer fire company or bona fide nonprofit fraternal, civic, war veterans'; religious, or charitable organization or corporation that does not serve food to the public more often than 4 days per week except that once a year an organization may serve food to the public for up to 14 consecutive days.

## (h) (1) "Food service facility" means:

- (i) A place where food or drink is prepared for sale or service on the premises or elsewhere; or
- (ii) Any operation where food is served to or provided for the public, with or without charge.
  - (2) "Food service facility" does not include: