(2) The public or employees persist in or continue their smoking in a public area.]

[24-504.

- (a) The Secretary shall adopt rules and regulations to enforce the provisions of this subtitle.
- (b) A person who violates § 24–503(a) of this subtitle is subject to a civil penalty of \$25.]

[24-505.

- (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, this subtitle does not prohibit any county or municipal corporation of the State from enacting an ordinance, resolution, law, or rule that is more stringent than the provisions of this subtitle.
- (b) Charles County and St. Mary's County may not enact an ordinance, resolution, law, or rule that is more stringent than the provisions of this subtitle.]

SUBTITLE 5. CLEAN INDOOR AIR ACT.

24-501.

- (A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
- (B) "EMPLOYEE" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 5–101 OF THE LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT ARTICLE.
- (C) "EMPLOYER" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 5–101 OF THE LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT ARTICLE.
- (D) "ENVIRONMENTAL TOBACCO SMOKE" MEANS THE COMPLEX MIXTURE FORMED FROM THE ESCAPING SMOKE OF A BURNING TOBACCO PRODUCT OR SMOKE EXHALED BY THE SMOKER.
 - (E) "INDOOR AREA OPEN TO THE PUBLIC" MEANS AN:
- (1) An indoor area or a portion of an indoor area accessible to the public by either invitation or permission; or