

to advertise certain drugs for treatment of venereal diseases or to sell, give or dispense certain drugs or preparations for treatment of such diseases except on prescription of physicians.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That two new sections be and they are hereby added to Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Crimes and Punishments," to be under sub-title "Health—Venereal Disease Remedies," said new sections to be known as Sections 366A and 366B, to follow immediately after Section 366 of said Article, and to read as follows:

366A. Advertising Cures. No person or persons, firm, company or corporation, shall advertise or permit to be advertised, or in any manner whatsoever call public attention to, any drug, medicine, preparation or substance for the treatment, alleviation or cure of gonorrhoea, syphilis, chancroid or any other venereal disease or of any diseased condition of the human genitalia caused by, related to, or resulting from the aforesaid venereal diseases, or to any person from whom, or to any place at which, such drug, medicine, preparation or substance may be obtained, except that the provisions of this section shall not apply to any health department or other governmental agency, or to any health or medical agency approved under this section by the State Board of Health, or to medical, pharmaceutical or other professional publications not subject to public sale or distribution, or to bona fide news items or bona fide articles, published in newspapers, magazines or books. Any person violating the provisions of this Section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for each such violation.

366B. Sale of Remedies. No person or persons, firm, company or corporation, except as hereinafter provided, shall sell, dispense or give to any person any drug, medicine, preparation or substance for the treatment, alleviation or cure of gonorrhoea, syphilis, chancroid or any other venereal disease or diseased condition of the human genitalia caused by, related to, or resulting from the aforesaid venereal diseases, or sell, dispense or give to any person any sulfonamide drug or preparation which contains such sulfonamide drug for the treatment or cure of the diseases mentioned in this Section, except upon the written prescription of a physician licensed to practice medicine. Such prescription shall bear the date upon which it was written, the