

492. The City Register shall pay to the watchmen authorized by Sections 491 and 493 the sum of fifteen hundred dollars per annum, as and for their respective salaries, in the same manner as is provided for the payment of the salaries of the bailiffs of the Courts.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1945.

Approved April 23, 1945.

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CHAPTER 641.

(House Bill 171)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 103 of Article 83 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Sales and Notices", sub-title "Fair Trade Act", relating to contracts relating to sale of commodities from vending equipment.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 103 of Article 83 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Sales and Notices", sub-title "Fair Trade Act", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

103. No contract relating to the sale or resale of a commodity which bears, or the label or container of which bears, or the vending equipment from which a commodity is sold to consumer bears, the trade-mark, brand, or name of the producer or distributor of such commodity and which commodity is in free and open competition with commodities of the same general class produced or distributed by others shall be deemed in violation of any law of the State of Maryland by reason of any of the following provisions which may be contained in such contract:

(A) That the buyer will not resell such commodity at less than the minimum price stipulated by the seller.

(B) That the buyer will require of any dealer to whom he may resell such commodity an agreement that he will not, in turn, resell at less than the minimum price stipulated by the seller.

(C) That the seller will not sell such commodity:

(1) to any wholesaler, unless such wholesaler will agree not to resell the same to any retailer unless the retailer will in turn agree not to resell the same except to consumers for