

State responsibility for maintaining a registry of returnable containers and laundered articles; permitting the Secretary of State to set reasonable fees for recordation of such containers and articles and copies of documents relating to such containers and articles; repealing provisions relating to assessment, collection, and accounting of fines and costs in certain types of criminal cases; providing for the transfer of certain records; providing for the effect of this Act on currently registered containers and articles; providing for the construction of this Act as it pertains to certified copies of certain records; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to clerks of circuit courts and the Secretary of State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 – Crimes and Punishments
 Section 471, 472, 473, and 474
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1992 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 27 – Crimes and Punishments
 Section 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, and 480A
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1992 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article 27 – Crimes and Punishments
 Section 481
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1992 Supplement)

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

Article 27 – Crimes and Punishments

471.

Any and all persons, partnerships or bodies corporate owning returnable containers, or dealing in any commodities handled or delivered in returnable containers, which said containers bear securely affixed or attached thereto, or impressed or imprinted thereon, in any manner whatsoever, a name, mark or device whereby such container can be readily identified, or any person engaged in the business of regularly supplying clean laundered garments, towels, table or bed linens or other such articles with his or its name or other marks or devices woven, impressed or produced thereon, and who periodically exchange such clean articles for soiled articles, may register the same, and thereby procure all of the benefits of such registration, guaranteed under the provisions of this subtitle, as to all like containers, or clean laundered or soiled articles similarly marked, whether such containers or such articles were actually in existence or not at the time of registration. Any such owner or dealer desiring to register such returnable container, or such clean laundered articles, shall cause to be prepared a clear statement of the character of such