

SENATE BILL 20

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(PRE-FILED)

By: **Senator Jacobs**

Requested: September 23, 2008

Introduced and read first time: January 14, 2009

Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Trade Regulation - Flags Sold in State - Place of Manufacture**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from selling a flag of the United States or a
4 State flag in Maryland unless it is manufactured in the United States;
5 providing certain criminal penalties for a violation of this Act; and generally
6 relating to the sale of flags in Maryland.

7 BY adding to

8 Article - Commercial Law

9 Section 11-904

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

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

14 **Article - Commercial Law**

15 **11-904.**

16 (A) **A PERSON MAY NOT SELL A FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OR A**
17 **STATE FLAG IN THE STATE UNLESS IT IS MANUFACTURED IN THE UNITED**
18 **STATES.**

19 (B) **A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A**
20 **MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING**
21 **\$500 OR IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 60 DAYS OR BOTH.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
2 October 1, 2009.