

HOUSE BILL 1138

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By: **Delegates Lam, Carr, Ebersole, Frush, Hill, Moon, Morhaim, and P. Young**
Introduced and read first time: February 8, 2018
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Health – Sale and Distribution of Products Containing NMP and DCM –**
3 **Prohibition**

4 FOR the purpose of prohibiting, on or after a certain date, the sale or distribution of any
5 paint or coating removal product that contains N–Methylpyrrolidone or methylene
6 chloride, also known as dichloromethane; establishing a certain penalty for a certain
7 violation; and generally relating to a prohibition on the sale or distribution of
8 products that contain N–Methylpyrrolidone or methylene chloride.

9 BY adding to

10 Article – Health – General
11 Section 24–308
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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

16 **Article – Health – General**

17 **24–308.**

18 **(A) ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2020, A PERSON MAY NOT SELL OR**
19 **DISTRIBUTE IN COMMERCE ANY PAINT OR COATING REMOVAL PRODUCT THAT**
20 **CONTAINS N–METHYLPYRROLIDONE (NMP) OR METHYLENE CHLORIDE, ALSO**
21 **KNOWN AS DICHLOROMETHANE (DCM).**

22 **(B) A PERSON THAT VIOLATES THIS SECTION OR ANY REGULATION**
23 **ADOPTED BY THE SECRETARY TO CARRY OUT THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A**
24 **MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 FOR EACH VIOLATION.

2 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
3 October 1, 2018.