

## Chapter 143

(House Bill 849)

AN ACT concerning

### Public Safety – Smoke Detectors and Smoke Alarms

FOR the purpose of clarifying that a person may sell or install smoke detectors, smoke alarms, and specialized smoke alarms for the deaf and hard of hearing only in accordance with the State Fire Prevention Code; repealing a requirement that each manufacturer that commercially sells or offers for sale a smoke detection system obtain approval of each model of smoke detector from the State Fire Marshal; repealing a certain application fee; and generally relating to smoke detectors, smoke alarms, and smoke detection systems.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Safety

Section 9-105

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2003 Volume and 2010 Supplement)

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

#### Article – Public Safety

9-105.

**[(a)]** A person may sell or install a smoke detection system, **SMOKE DETECTOR, SMOKE ALARM**, or specialized smoke detectors **OR SMOKE ALARMS** for the deaf and **HARD OF** hearing **[impaired]** only in accordance with the State Fire Prevention Code.

**[(b) (1)]** Each manufacturer commercially selling or offering for sale smoke detection systems in the State shall obtain approval of each model of smoke detector from the State Fire Marshal.

**(2)** An application for approval of each model of smoke detector shall be:

**(i)** submitted in the manner required by the State Fire Marshal; and

**(ii)** accompanied by a fee of \$25.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2011.

**Approved by the Governor, April 12, 2011.**