

**A005-0001**

10 AN ACT CONCERNING  
20 Marriage – Same-Sex Couples – Legalization

30 FOR the purpose of making it lawful for a man to marry a man and a woman to marry a woman,  
40 except in cases of close relation.

50 BY repealing, and reenacting, with amendments  
60 Article- Family Law  
70 Section 2-201 and 2-202  
80 Annotated Code of Maryland  
90 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

100 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE MARYLAND STUDENT LEGISLATURE  
110 THAT THE LAWS OF MARYLAND SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

120 Article - Family Law

130 §2-201.  
140 ~~Only a marriage between a man and a woman is valid in this state.~~

150 §2-202.  
160 (a) Any marriage performed in this State that is prohibited by this section is void.

170 (b) (1) A ~~man~~ PERSON may not marry his OR HER:

180 (i) grandmother;

190 (ii) mother;

200 (iii) daughter;

210 (iv) sister; or

220 (v) granddaughter.

230 (vi) first or second cousin

240 (vii) grandfather;

250 (viii) father;

260 (ix) son;

270 (x) brother; or

280 (xi) grandson.

290 (3) An individual who violates any provision of this subsection is guilty of a  
300 misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine of \$1,500 or to  
310 permanent banishment from this State.

320 (c) (1) A ~~man~~ AN INDIVIDUAL may not marry his OR HER:

330 (i) grandfather's wife;

- 340 (ii) wife's grandmother;  
350 (iii) father's sister;  
360 (iv) mother's sister;  
370 (v) stepmother;  
380 (vi) wife's mother;  
390 (vii) wife's daughter;  
400 (viii) son's wife;  
410 (ix) grandson's wife;  
420 (x) wife's granddaughter;  
430 (xi) brother's daughter; or  
440 (xii) sister's daughter.  
450 (xiii) grandmother's husband;  
460 (xiv) husband's grandfather;  
470 (xv) father's brother;  
480 (xvi) mother's brother;  
490 (xvii) stepfather;  
500 (xviii) husband's father;  
510 (xix) husband's son;  
520 (xx) daughter's husband;  
530 (xxi) husband's grandson;  
540 (xxii) brother's son;  
550 (xxiii) sister's son; or  
560 (xxiv) granddaughter's husband.

570 (3) An individual who violates any provision of this subsection is guilty of a  
580 misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine of \$500.

590 SECTION 2: AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that all laws or parts of laws, public  
600 general or public local, inconsistent with this Act, are repealed to the  
610 extent of the inconsistency.

620 SECTION 3: AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that this Act shall take effect October 1,  
630 2001.

640 MANDATES: Parris Glendening, Governor  
650 Kathleen Kennedy Townsend, Lt. Governor  
660 Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Senate President  
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