

rest whatever, in any lottery or lotteries, or other device or game of chance, or in any prize or interest that may be dependent on the drawing or determination thereof, which shall have been expressly granted by this state, and approved of by the lottery commissioners, or which shall be proposed by the said commissioners on behalf of this state, unless such person or persons shall be duly licensed to sell, vend, barter or otherwise trade, in tickets of lotteries granted and approved as aforesaid, and also to the end that no person or persons within this state shall sell, vend, barter, assure, give, furnish, supply, procure, notify or register, any ticket or tickets, in any lottery or lotteries, or other device or game of chance, or any certificate, writing or token, of any interest whatsoever in any lottery or lotteries, or other device or game of chance, or in any prize or interest that may be dependent on the drawing or determination thereof, and which shall not have been expressly granted by this state, and approved of by the lottery commissioners, or which shall not have been proposed by the said commissioners on behalf of this state, it shall be, and hereby is made the duty of every county court of this state, and of Baltimore city court, for the repressing and preventing such forbidden notifications, sales and trafficking, to construe every part of this act, and of every other act relative to lotteries, and the sale of lottery tickets within this state, largely and strongly against all persons who shall offend against the true meaning or intents thereof, directly or indirectly, by any shift or device, or by any deceitful ways or means.

SEC. 15. *And be it enacted,* That if the lottery commissioners shall suggest, in writing, to the city court of Baltimore, or to any county court, before whom any suit or action at law, or any indictment under this act, or any other act relative to lotteries, or the sale of lottery tickets within this state, is or may be depending, that the state cannot have a fair and impartial trial in such court, it shall and may be lawful for the said court, in their discretion, to order and direct the record of their proceedings in the said suit, action or indictment, to be transmitted to the judges of any adjoining county court for trial, and the judges of such county court shall hear and determine the same as if such suit, action or prosecution, had been originally instituted therein; and the said courts shall respectively hear and determine every suit, action or prosecution, that shall hereafter be instituted therein, on behalf of this state, under this act, or any other act relative to lotteries, or the sale of lottery tickets within this state, at the first term of such court which shall be or happen after the institution of any such suit, action or prosecution, unless to the court having jurisdiction of such suit,

On suggestion to court that state cannot have a fair trial, proceedings to be transmitted to adjoining county, &c.