

Section 418 thereof and to be under the new sub-heading "Obscene Motion Pictures", making it a crime to exhibit obscene or corrupting motion pictures to minors and providing a penalty therefor.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That new Section 418A be and the same is hereby added to Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Crimes and Punishment", sub-title "Crimes and Punishments", to follow immediately after Section 418 thereof and to be under the new sub-heading "Obscene Motion Pictures", and to read as follows:

Obscene Motion Pictures

418A. It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly exhibit to a minor under the age of eighteen (18) years, a motion picture film TO A MINOR UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN (18) YEARS WHICH FOR SUCH MINOR WOULD BE:

(a). *Which is obscene, or* OBSCENE, INDECENT OR IMMORAL, OR

(b). *The tendency of which is to corrupt morals.* OF SUCH CHARACTER THAT ITS EXHIBITION WOULD TEND TO DEBASE OR CORRUPT THE MORALS OF SUCH MINOR AS AFORESAID.

Any person violating this section shall, on conviction thereof for the first offense, be fined not more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00), or imprisoned for not more than thirty days, or both BE SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS OR BE IMPRISONED FOR NOT EXCEEDING ONE YEAR, OR BOTH *fine and imprisonment, at the discretion of the court.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1959.

Approved May 5, 1959.

CHAPTER 831

(House Bill 864)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 2 of Article 78B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Racing Commission", sub-title "In General", relating to composition and membership of Maryland Racing Commission, chairman, terms, vacancies, removal and other matters generally related thereto.

EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.