

CHAPTER 154.

AN ACT to regulate Lotteries.

Other laws, 1817, ch. 210; 1818, ch. 179; 1819, ch. 163; 1820, ch. 144; 1821, ch. 191; 1824, ch. 131; 1825, ch. 210, 221; 1826, ch. 268; 1827, ch. 160; 1828, ch. 129; 1831, ch. 79; 1835, ch. 205.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That in all cases where lotteries have been heretofore authorized, under which power is given to raise a particular sum of money by one or more lotteries, and the managers may have drawn a lottery or lotteries, the scheme of which purported to raise the sum authorized to be raised, that in all such cases the power and authority given to raise money thereby, be and the same is hereby considered as completed, and the power to draw any other lottery or lotteries, under the same authority, be and the same is hereby declared at an end, and the act authorizing the same is repealed; *Provided,* that the prohibition in this section contained shall not extend to the Surgical Institution Lottery,* or Medical College Lottery,† the prizes drawn therein to be nevertheless subject to the five per centum by this act imposed upon all prizes; *And provided further,* that before a drawing of any lottery shall be had under the foregoing proviso, the managers shall give bond, with two or more sufficient securities to be approved by the treasurer of the western shore, conditioned for the payment of the said five per centum into the treasury, at the expiration of sixty days after the drawing shall be completed; and the managers of any lottery offending against the provisions aforesaid, shall forfeit severally the sum of five thousand dollars, to be recovered by indictment in the county court of the county where the offence shall be committed, or in the city court of Baltimore, as the case may be, for the use of the state.

By ch. 210, other lotteries excepted in like manner.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the managers of all lotteries which may hereafter be drawn in this state, be and they are hereby authorized and required, to deduct from all prizes in said lotteries five per centum, in addition to the deduction provided for by the scheme of said lottery, and within sixty days after the drawing of any such lottery shall be finished, shall pay over the said five per centum to the treasurer of the western shore of Maryland, for the use of the state, and in case they do not so pay over the said five per centum, the bonds of said managers shall be put in suit in the county where they may reside.

By 1818, ch. 179, the managers to pay to the treasurer five per cent. upon the gross amount of prizes, and on payment thereof, and not before, the commissioners to permit the drawing the lottery.

Lotteries heretofore authorized, proceeding relative thereto.

Proviso.

* 1815, ch. 30.

† 1807, ch. 111.

Five per cent. to be paid into the treasury