

place, on land or water, within the State of Maryland, for the purpose of betting, wagering or gambling in any manner, or by any means, or making, selling or buying books or pools therein or thereon upon the result of any race or contest or contingency, or by any means or devices whatsoever, to receive, become the depository of, record or register, or forward or purpose, or agree or pretend to forward any money, bet, wager, thing or consideration of value, to be bet, gambled or wagered in any manner, or by any means or device whatsoever, upon the result of any race, contest or contingency, and any person violating any of the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of not less than two hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars, one-half of said fine to go to the informer, and shall be subject to imprisonment in jail for not less than six months nor more than one year, or be both fined and imprisoned, in the discretion of the court.

Stearns v State, 81 Md. 344 *State v. Dycer*, 85 Md. 250.

1898, ch. 285, sec. 124 b.

203. Nothing in the next preceding section shall render it unlawful in any county of this State, other than Baltimore city, for any person or persons to make a pool or a book, or to bet within the ground of any agricultural association, race course or driving park, upon the result of any trotting, pacing or running race of horses which shall be held within the same grounds, race course or driving park upon which said person shall so make a pool or book, or shall so bet upon the same day on which said race shall be held ; provided, the grounds of such agricultural association, race course or driving park be licensed in the manner set forth in the next succeeding section by the circuit court for the county within which such grounds or track may be located.

Ibid. sec 124 c.

204. Every person applying for a license as required by the next preceding section shall file with the circuit court for the county within which the grounds of such agricultural association, race course or driving park may be located, his petition for such a license, and before granting the said license the said court shall cause notification of said petition to be published, at the cost of the applicant, at least once a week for three successive weeks, in a newspaper published in the county in which the grounds aforesaid may be located.