

ment, first obtain from the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Garrett County, Maryland, a license or permit therefor, for which the said Clerk shall charge a fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) per annum; except that in the case of restaurants or other places of business maintaining a dance floor on which not more than three couples are permitted to dance at any one time and for which no orchestra is provided the fee for said license shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per annum; provided, however, that no dance shall be held on Sunday. The Clerk of the Court shall pay all receipts from said licenses to the County Treasurer for the use of Garrett County. Every license issued hereunder shall be dated as of the date of issue and shall expire at the end of the 30th day of April next after its issuance; and when issued at any time after the beginning of the license year the fee therefor shall be at the rate of one-twelfth of the full license fee for each month or part of a month between the date of issue and the date of expiration.

Before the license shall be granted, the applicant shall file with the Clerk of the Court a statement, duly executed and acknowledged by the owner of the premises in which the dance, amusement or entertainment is to be conducted, authorizing the County Commissioners or any Peace Officer of Garrett County to inspect and search, without warrant, the premises upon which the said dance, amusement or entertainment is being conducted, and any and all parts of the building in which the same is being conducted, during the hours in which the dance, amusement or entertainment is being given.

Any person or corporation who shall violate the provisions hereof, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00), and in default of the payment thereof shall be sentenced to the county jail for a period of not less than sixty (60) days or more than six (6) months; provided, however, that nothing in this section shall apply to any such entertainment given or held for religious, educational or fraternal organizations, or Volunteer Fire Department, giving or sponsoring any of the forms of amusement or entertainment mentioned herein.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and having been passed by a yea and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 26, 1937.