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SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1990.

Approved May 2, 1990.

CHAPTER 402

(House Bill 20)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City - Religious Charitable and Other Organizations - "Las Vegas Days" Carnivals, Bazaars, and Raffles

FOR the purpose of authorizing in Baltimore City certain bona fide religious organizations to conduct a certain number of "Las Vegas Days" per year; providing for the conditions under which a "Las Vegas Days" may be conducted; providing for certain criminal penalties; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the conducting of "Las Vegas Days" in Baltimore City charitable and other organizations to award certain prizes for certain horse race films; and generally relating to certain carnivals, bazaars, and raffles in Baltimore City.

BY adding to repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

Section 257A 257(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1987 Replacement Volume and 1989 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

## Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

257A.

- (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
- (2) "BONA FIDE RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION" OR "RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION" MEANS A RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION THAT POSSESSES AN EFFECTIVE EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE FROM THE STATE COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE OR AN EFFECTIVE DETERMINATION LETTER OF STATUS UNDER § 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE FROM THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE.
- (3) "LAS VEGAS DAY" MEANS A GAMING EVENT AT WHICH 1
  OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING GAMES OF CHANCE ARE PLAYED: