

CHAPTER 310.

AN ACT to repeal Sections one hundred and seventy-six, one hundred and seventy-seven and one hundred and seventy-eight of Article twenty-seven of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Crimes and Punishments," sub-title "Lotteries," and to re-enact the same with amendments.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That sections one hundred and seventy-six, one hundred and seventy-seven and one hundred and seventy-eight of article twenty-seven of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Crimes and Punishments," sub-title "Lotteries," be and the same are hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, so as to read as follows:

SEC. 176. If any person shall keep any house, office or other place for the purpose of selling or bartering any lottery ticket, policy, certificate or any other thing by which the vendor or other person promises or guarantees that any particular number, character, ticket or certificate shall, in any event or on the happening of any contingency in the nature of a lottery, entitle the purchaser or holder to receive money, property or evidence of debt, he shall be subject to indictment, and upon conviction, he shall, in the discretion of the court, be fined a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, or imprisoned for a period not exceeding one year, or he may be both fined and imprisoned.

Keeping an office for selling lottery tickets.

Penalty.

SEC. 177. The owner of any house or office who shall permit the same to be used as a place for selling lottery tickets, or any of the things in the nature thereof, mentioned in the preceding section, shall be liable to indictment, and upon conviction, shall be, in the discretion of the court, fined a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, or shall be imprisoned for a period not exceeding one year, or shall be both fined and imprisoned; and any person who shall know that his house or office is used for such purpose, shall be considered as permitting the same.

Owner of house liable to indictment.

SEC. 178. If any person shall bring into this State any lottery ticket, policy, certificate or anything by which the vendor or other person promises or guarantees that any particular number, character, ticket or certificate shall in any event, or on the happening of any contingency in the nature of a lottery, entitle the purchaser or holder to receive money, property or

Possession of lottery tickets.