

Effective. SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 7, 1898. •

CHAPTER 285.

AN ACT to amend Article XXVII of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Crimes and Punishments," sub-title "Gaming," by repealing Section 124 A thereof, as enacted by the Act of 1894, Chapter 237, and re-enacting the same with amendments, and by adding four new sections to said Article, to follow immediately after Section 124 A, to be designated Sections 124 B, 124 C, 124 D, 124 E.

Repeal. SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That section 124 A of Article XXVII of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Crimes and Punishments," sub-title "Gaming," as said section was enacted by chapter 232 of the Acts of 1894 be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, and that four new sections, to follow immediately after section 124 A, to be designated sections 124 B, 124 C, 124 D and 124 E, be and the same are hereby added to said article, and to read as to said sections, respectively, as follows:

Unlawful to gamble. 124 A. It shall not be lawful for any person or persons, or association of persons, or for any corporation within the State of Maryland, to bet, wage or gamble in any manner, or by any means, or to make or sell a book or pool on the result of any trotting, pacing or running race of horses or other beasts, or race, contest or contingency of any kind, or to establish, keep, rent, use or occupy, or knowingly suffer to be used, kept or rented or occupied, any house, building, vessel, grounds or place, or portion of any house, building, vessel, grounds or 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