

penalty is provided, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not exceeding \$1,000.00 or by confinement in the House of Correction for a period not to exceed six months, or both fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court, and shall have his license revoked, and he shall not be eligible to obtain, either directly or indirectly, another license for a two-year period following such revocation.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That before the provisions of this Act shall become effective, the County Commissioners of Charles County shall submit the question to the qualified voters of said County at a special election to be called by said County Commissioners for Tuesday, June 21, 1949, at places to be designated by them. Notice of said election shall be given by publication in at least one newspaper printed and published in said County at least two weeks before said election. The ballots shall be prepared by said County Commissioners of said County and shall have printed on them a condensed summary of the provisions of this Act. Costs of said election shall be paid out of the general funds of the County Commissioners. The polls shall be open from 7.00 A. M. to 7.00 P. M.

Printed on said ballots shall also appear the words "For Licensing Amusement Devices", and "Against Licensing Amusement Devices", with a blank square opposite and to the right of each set of said words. The voter shall indicate his choice by making a cross mark (X) in one of said blank squares. The County Commissioners shall appoint the necessary officers to conduct the election with the usual pay for such duties.

If a majority of the persons voting on said question shall cast their ballots marked "For Licensing Amusement Devices", then this Act shall be immediately of full force and effect, but if a majority of the persons voting on said question shall cast their ballots marked "Against Licensing Amusement Devices", then this Act shall be void and of no effect.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1949.

Approved May 6, 1949.