

This Bill provides for the licensing of games of chance, including slot machines in different election districts in Worcester County.

Under its terms the Bill is subject to a referendum before it becomes effective, but that result, instead of depending upon a county-wide vote, is determined for each election district by the vote in that particular district.

The question, if determined at all, should be decided by the sentiment of the people of the county as a whole.

The Bill further provides for the appointment of an Amusement Licensing Board by the Governor. A Board for such purposes should be appointed by county authorities.

There may be other objections to the application of the terms of the Bill, but the above are sufficient to warrant its veto.

## HOWARD COUNTY

### HOUSE BILL No. 437

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 76 of Article 14 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Howard County", sub-title "County Commissioners and County Collectors", relating to work done by the County Commissioners which must be done by contract and providing that said section shall not apply when the County Commissioners desire to do construction or improvement work on county roads with their own forces, provided that any such proposed road project shall not exceed an estimated cost of Sixty-five Hundred Dollars (\$6,500.00).

The provisions of this Bill are duplicated in House Bill No. 427 (Ch. 730). For that reason the Bill has been vetoed.

## INSANE

### SENATE BILL No. 23

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 30 and 31 of Article 59 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Lunatics and Insane", sub-title "Board of Mental Hygiene", relating to the licensing of hospitals for the reception or detention of insane persons.

The provisions of this Bill have been incorporated in the Bill providing for the new Mental Hospital Program, and for that reason has been vetoed.