

(1939 Edition), title "Crimes and Punishments," sub-title "Gaming," shall be construed as prohibiting, penalizing or making unlawful the keeping, maintenance, operation or distribution for operation, in Charles County, by any person, firm or corporation, on and after July 1, 1949, of any mechanical or electrical amusement devices which require the insertion of a coin or token for their operation and which offer and award to the operator based in whole or in part upon chance or his skill, provided that said mechanical or electrical amusement devices or machines are licensed by the person, firm or corporation who owns or operates the premises upon which said amusement devices are maintained for the use of the public as hereinafter provided in this sub-title. Provided, however, that any bona fide charitable or veterans' organization and any bona fide fire company may own and operate not more than five such devices for which no license fee shall be required where all the proceeds of such devices are devoted to the exclusive benefit of such organization or company and such devices are maintained solely in the club room or regular meeting place of such organization or company. And provided further, that any bona fide religious or volunteer fireman's organization may operate on not more than two dates in any calendar year up to ten such devices without license at any carnival or social where the proceeds of such devices are devoted to the exclusive benefit of such organizations.

(b). No person or firm shall be granted a license hereunder unless such person or persons comprising the firm are shown affirmatively to be bona fide property owners in Charles County on January 1, 1951, or are registered voters in said County. No corporation shall be granted a license hereunder unless all officers, directors, and the holders of 90% of the stock of such corporation are shown affirmatively to have been individual property owners in Charles County on January 1, 1951, or shall be registered voters in said County.

84D. (a). Any person, firm or corporation who owns or operates, whether as owner, lessee or licensee, the premises upon which it is desired to maintain any amusement devices described in Sub-section (a) of Section 84C hereof, may obtain a license therefor upon application to the License Clerk of the County hereinafter provided for upon forms prescribed for that purpose by said clerk and upon payment of the prescribed annual license fee of \$150.00 for each single unit machine having but one slot or receptacle for the insertion of a coin. Where the machine or de-