

## CHAPTER 253

## (House Bill 370)

AN ACT to add new Section 20A to the Code of Public Local Laws of Garrett County (1957 Edition, being Article 12 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Garrett County", sub-title "Amusement Licenses", to follow immediately after Section 20 thereof, relating to the licensing of public amusement machines whose operation require insertion of coin or token in Garrett County, and matters generally relating thereto.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That new Section 20A be and the same is hereby added to the Code of Public Local Laws of Garrett County (1957 Edition, being Article 12 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Garrett County", sub-title "Amusement Licenses", to follow immediately after Section 20 thereof, and to read as follows:

*Garrett County*

*Section 20A. (a) Every person, firm, association or corporation keeping, maintaining or operating for public entertainment or amusement within Garrett County, any [~~music box, mechanical player piano,~~] claw machine, pin-ball machine (console or other), shuffleboard, mechanical bowling game, or any similar device for public amusement, whose operation requires the insertion of a coin or token, and the result of whose operation depends in whole or in part, upon the skill of the operator, whether or not it affords an award to a successful operator, shall obtain a license from the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Garrett County to do so, and shall pay therefor the sum of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) annually for each such machine or device.*

*(b) Any service or merchandise machine is excluded from this Section.*

*(c) Each machine or device so licensed shall have affixed to it a metal tag or other device, as prescribed by the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Garrett County, showing that the license fee has been paid.*

*(d) Any person, firm, association or corporation violating any of the terms and provisions of this Section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof by a court of competent jurisdiction shall be subject to a fine of not more than \$100.00 or imprisonment not exceeding six months, or to both fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the Court.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1959.

Approved March 24, 1959.

EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.