SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1965.

Approved May 4, 1965.

CHAPTER 884 (House Bill 315)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 264 of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Crimes and Punishments," subtitle "Crimes and Punishments," subheading "Gaming Laws," to provide that money seized in any gambling operation in Baltimore City, CALVERT, KENT AND ST. MARY'S COUNTIES be forfeited to the city OR COUNTY, RESPECTIVELY, if the persons arrested are convicted of violation of the gaming laws.; AND TO CORRECT THE SPELLING OF "CARROLL" COUNTY, SAID COUNTY HERETOFORE INCLUDED IN SAID SECTION.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 264 of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Crimes and Punishments," subtitle "Crimes and Punishments," subheading "Gaming Laws," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

264.

- (a) Whenever any money, currency or cash shall be seized or captured by any police officer in *Baltimore City*, Allegany, Carrel, CALVERT, CARROLL, Cecil, Garrett, Howard, KENT, ST. MARY'S and Washington counties in connection with any arrest for the playing or operation of any lottery, game, table, or gaming device unlawful under the provisions of this article, all such money, currency or cash shall be deemed prima facie to be contraband of law as a gambling device or as a part of a gambling operation. No such money, currency or cash shall be returned to any person claiming the same, or to any other person, except in the manner hereinafter in this section provided.
- (b) Pending trial or ultimate disposition of the charge or charges, indictment or indictments, growing out of any arrest in connection with which any such money, currency or cash may have been so seized or captured, the same shall be deposited with, and accounted for by the county treasurer of the county **[.]** or the director of finance in Baltimore City.
- (c) If the trial or other ultimate disposition of such charge or charges, indictment or indictments, results in a record of conviction being entered against the person or persons so arrested, in connection with which the said money, currency, or cash may have been so seized or captured, the county treasurer of the county or director of finance in Baltimore City may after one month from the date of the record of the entry of such conviction, unless the case is appealed to Court of Appeals make application to the circuit court of the