CHAPTER 383

(House Bill 1404)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 255 of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Supplement), title "Crimes and Punishments," subtitle "Crimes and Punishments," subheading "Gaming," to include Somerset County in the provisions relating to the conduct of certain carnivals, bazaars or raffles conducted by certain nonprofit or charitable organizations.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 255 of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Supplement), title "Crimes and Punishments," subtitle "Crimes and Punishments," subheading "Gaming," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

255.

Nothing in this subtitle shall be construed to make it unlawful for any volunteer fire company or bona fide fraternal, civic, war veterans', religious or charitable organization or corporation in Anne Arundel, Calvert, Caroline, Charles, Kent, Queen Anne's, St. Mary's, Somerset and Talbot counties to conduct or hold a carnival, bazaar, or raffle for the exclusive benefit of any such volunteer fire company or fraternal, civic, war veterans', religious or charitable organization or corporation, provided that no individual or group of individuals shall benefit financially from the holding of any such bazaar, carnival, or raffle or shall receive or be paid any of the proceeds from any such carnival, bazaar, or raffle, for personal use or benefit. It shall be lawful for such organization or corporation to award prizes in cash or in merchandise by such devices as are commonly designated as paddle wheels, wheels of fortune, chance books, bingo, or any other gaming device, provided, however, that any carnivals, bazaars, or raffles shall be managed by the members of such group, organization or corporation personally through its members.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1970.

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CHAPTER 384

(House Bill 1416)

AN ACT to add new Section 21 (n) to Article 66B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Supplement), title "Zoning and Planning," subtitle "Planning," subheading "Title 2—Zoning," to follow immediately after Section 21 (m) thereof, to permit the County Commissioners of Worcester County to impose certain zoning restrictions in that county.