

may, by law, authorize the County Executive to promulgate rules and regulations concerning the powers conferred upon the County and Council by Chapter 47; and to provide penalties for the violation of such rules and regulations.

*Be It Enacted by the County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland, that—*

SEC. 1. Section 47-2, Chapter 47, title "Montgomery County Suburban District," of the Montgomery County Code 1965, is hereby amended to read as follows:

47-2. Council designated as District Council; powers; authority of County Executive to promulgate rules and regulations; penalties for violations of rules and regulations, etc.

(a) The County Council is, for all of the purposes of this Chapter, designated as the District Council for the Montgomery County Suburban District, and such Council is hereby given, for the purposes of this Chapter, all legislative powers with which it can, in a constitutional manner, be vested by the General Assembly of Maryland. The County Executive is, for all the purposes of this Chapter, designated as the executive officer for the Montgomery County Suburban District. In addition to the powers vested in the Council by existing law, the Council is hereby authorized within the District to prescribe by law reasonable standards affecting the kind, size and character (including the material used therein) of buildings to be erected in the District; to prescribe by law for the licensing for the purpose of regulation or revenue all and every kind of business transacted or carried on within the District and to fix the rate of license upon the same or by law authorize the County Executive to set the rate of license fees and provide for the collection thereof by suit or otherwise; to prescribe by law for the licensing and regulation of any place of public amusement or recreation, pleasure parks, picnic grounds, clubhouses, theatrical exhibitions, baseball grounds, bowling alleys, billiard halls, poolrooms, camp meeting grounds, graveyards, sanitariums, hospitals, homes for the aged, orphan asylums, homes for children and convalescent homes, signs or signboards on or near State or County roads; provided, that the power of the County to inspect, license and regulate clubhouses shall not apply to clubhouses of country clubs within the District which were in existence and operation on January 1, 1927, and which on that date had a public or private list of fifty or more bona fide members paying dues and which on that date maintained on the club premises at least two of the following athletic facilities for their membership:

- (1) A golf course of nine holes or more;
- (2) Two or more tennis courts, or
- (3) A swimming pool not less than forty feet in length and twenty feet in width.