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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 ALLEGANY, Anne Arundel, Calvert, Caroline, Charles, Dorchester, GARRETT, 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.

[[261A.

(a) Nothing in this subtitle shall be construed to make it unlawful for the following organizations to conduct in Garrett County games of bingo or raffles:

(1) A tax-supported volunteer fire company or auxiliary unit of which the members thereof are directly associated with the fire company.

(2) A nationally chartered veterans' organization or auxiliary unit of which the members thereof are directly associated with the organization.

(3) A bona fide religious group which has conducted religious services at a fixed location in Garrett County for a period of at least three (3) years prior to the application for a license.

(4) A nonprofit organization desiring to raise money for an exclusively charitable, athletic or educational purpose specifically described in the application.

(b) Nothing herein shall be construed to authorize slot machines or any type of coin machines to be used for gambling purposes.

261B.

(a) Nothing in this subtitle shall be construed to make it unlawful for the following organizations to conduct in Allegany County games of bingo or raffles:

(1) A tax-supported volunteer fire company or auxiliary unit of which the members thereof are directly associated with the fire company.

(2) A nationally chartered veterans' organization or auxiliary unit of which the members thereof are directly associated with the organization.

(3) A bona fide religious group which has conducted religious services at a fixed location in Allegany County for a period of at least three (3) years prior to the application for a license.

(4) A nonprofit organization desiring to raise money for an exclusively charitable, athletic or educational purpose specifically described in the application.

(b) Nothing herein shall be construed to authorize slot machines, punchboards, tip boards, or any type of coin machines to be used for gambling purposes.]]