

## CHAPTER 416

(Senate Bill 593)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 406 of Article 81 of the Annotated Code of Maryland ([[1969 Replacement Volume]] 1972 Supplement), title "Revenue and Taxes," subtitle "Admissions and Amusement Tax," to exempt from the admissions and amusement tax the gross receipts of certain [[musical nonprofit groups or associations and certain nonprofit cultural organizations, and to provide an effective date of June 1, 1973 for certain tax returns.]] non-profit cultural [[or educational]] groups offering or presenting various events or receiving certain grants.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 406 of Article 81 of the Annotated Code of Maryland ([[1969 Replacement Volume]] 1972 Supplement), title "Revenue and Taxes," subtitle "Admissions and Amusement Tax," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

406.

No tax shall be levied or collected under the provisions of Section 402 of this article:

(1) Upon the gross receipts derived from the amounts charged for admissions or refreshments, service and merchandise when such gross receipts are devoted exclusively to charitable, religious or educational purposes or inure exclusively to the benefit of a volunteer fire company or a nonprofit rescue squad, or to service, fraternal or veterans' organizations, whose charters have been granted by the Congress of the United States nor when such gross receipts inure to the benefit of any agricultural fair, provided no part of the net earnings thereof inure to the benefit of any stockholders or member of the association conducting the same and provided the proceeds therefrom are used exclusively for the improvement, maintenance and operation of such agricultural fair, nor upon gross receipts derived from the amounts charged for admission and the use of sporting or recreational facilities or equipment commonly described as "bingo" when such bingo games are operated pursuant to §260 of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland;

[[[[[2) UPON THE GROSS RECEIPTS OF NONPROFIT GROUPS OR ASSOCIATIONS ORGANIZED TO PRESENT OR OFFER ANNUAL SERIES OF SCHEDULED MUSICAL CONCERTS AND OF THOSE NONPROFIT, CULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS WHICH RECEIVE GRANTS THROUGH OR FROM THE MARYLAND ARTS COUNCIL OR WHICH RECEIVE DIRECT APPROPRIATIONS OF STATE FUNDS UNDER ARTICLE 41, §404(B) OF THE MARYLAND CODE THROUGH THE MARYLAND ARTS COUNCIL, DERIVED FROM ADMISSIONS TO CONCERTS AND THEATRICAL EVENTS, WHETHER BY A SINGLE TICKET, SEASON TICKET OR SUBSCRIPTIONS;[[[[[[

[[[2) UPON THE GROSS RECEIPTS OF CULTURAL OR EDUCATIONAL GROUPS, ASSOCIATIONS AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS WHICH ARE NON-PROFIT AND WHICH PRESENT OR OFFER MUSICAL CONCERTS, DANCE RECITALS, THEATRICAL EVENTS, MOTION PICTURE SHOWINGS, ART EXHIBITIONS, OR SCIENTIFIC EVENTS DERIVED FROM ADMISSIONS TO SUCH CONCERTS, RECITALS, SHOWINGS, EXHIBITIONS OR EVENTS, WHETHER BY A SINGLE TICKET, SEASON TICKET OR SUBSCRIPTIONS;]]