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CHAPTER 348

(Senate Bill 501)

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel, Charles, St. Mary's, and Calvert -
Games and Contests

FOR the purpose of authorizing nonfranchise retail merchants in Anne Arundel, Charles, St. Mary's, and Calvert counties to give away prizes by drawings if no purchase or [[contest]] consideration is required to qualify for the prizes, and re-arranging certain counties in an alphabetical order.

BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments
Section 369A(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1971 Replacement Volume and 1973 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 369A(b) of Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1973 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments
369A.

(b) No retail establishment regulated or licensed pursuant to the provisions contained in Article 56 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended, shall use any game, contests, lottery or other scheme or device, whereby a person or persons may receive gifts, prizes or gratuities as determined by chance for the purpose of promoting, furthering or advertising the sale of any product or service of whatsoever nature or kind, and the fact that no purchase is required in order to participate in the game, contest, lottery or scheme shall not exclude such game, contest, lottery or scheme from the provisions of this section. Nothing in this section shall be construed as preventing any nonfranchise retail merchant in [Dorchester, Worcester, Wicomico, Frederick and