

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1977.

Approved May 17, 1977.

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CHAPTER 510

(House Bill 1037)

AN ACT concerning

Kent County - Bingo

FOR the purpose of permitting bingo games on Sunday in Kent County; clarifying language; and generally relating to Sunday activities in Kent County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments  
Section 247  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1976 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 247 of Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1976 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

247.

(A) Nothing in this subtitle shall be construed to make it unlawful for any bona fide fraternal, religious, or charitable organizations or corporations, or volunteer fire company operating in communities which have no paid fire department, to conduct or operate a game of bingo for the benefit of charity in Anne Arundel, Queen Anne's, Somerset, or Kent counties, or in furtherance of the purposes of such organizations, corporations or volunteer fire department, and in Kent and Somerset counties, any bona fide war veterans' organization shall also be included in the provisions of this section.

(B) THIS ARTICLE MAY NOT BE CONSTRUED TO PROHIBIT THE GAME OF BINGO ON SUNDAY IN KENT COUNTY.

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