

appointment as an official court reporter by any court of any county or Baltimore City.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1980.

Approved April 22, 1980.

CHAPTER 202

(House Bill 1026)

AN ACT concerning

Worcester County - Raffles

FOR the purpose of providing that in Worcester County ~~political~~ patriotic organizations may conduct a raffle under designated circumstances and conditions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments
Section 251B
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1976 Replacement Volume and 1979 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

251B.

This subtitle may not be construed to make it unlawful for a bona fide fraternal, civic, war veterans, religious, ~~POLITICAL~~ PATRIOTIC, educational or charitable organization or corporation or volunteer fire company in Worcester County to conduct a raffle for the benefit of a charity in that county or in furtherance of the purposes of that organization, corporation or volunteer fire company. However, an individual or group of individuals may not benefit personally from the holding of any raffle. At a raffle it shall be lawful to award prizes by devices commonly known as paddle wheels, wheels of fortune or chance books. A group, organization, corporation or volunteer fire company must first obtain from the County Commissioners of Worcester County a permit, which provides that the raffle be managed and operated only by members of that group, organization, corporation or volunteer fire company personally.