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CHAPTER 210

(House Bill 1548)

AN ACT concerning

Montgomery County - Bingo
MC 244-81

FOR the purpose of transferring certain authority and duties pertaining to bingo in Montgomery County from one governmental department of the County to another department of the County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments
Section 255B
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1976 Replacement Volume and 1980 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 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows: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

255B.

(a) A bona fide nonprofit fraternal, religious, patriotic, educational or charitable organization or charitable corporation or volunteer fire company or voluntary rescue squad located in Montgomery County that is qualified under Section 501 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, may operate a game of bingo in Montgomery County for the benefit of charity or in furtherance of the purpose of the organization or company. The individual operating the game must be a resident of the county. All such games shall be conducted only by the organization, corporation, or company, and not by any other person, partnership, corporation, association, organization, or other legal or business entity which operates the game and retains any portion of the sales or profits from such bingo games or is paid any fee or compensation by the organization, corporation, or company for which the bingo game is being held.

(b) An organization desiring to conduct a game of bingo in Montgomery County shall first secure a bingo license from the county department of [environmental protection] HEALTH. Application shall be made on forms provided by the department and shall disclose the following information with respect to the organization: