

(1979 Replacement Volume and 1981 Supplement)

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

Article 56 - Licenses

20B.

(a) (1) Every person, firm, association or corporation, keeping, maintaining or operating for public entertainment or amusement within Garrett County, any claw machine, pinball machine (console or other), shuffleboard, mechanical bowling game, or any similar device for public amusement, whose operation requires the insertion of a coin or token, and the result of whose operation depends in whole or in part, upon the skill of the operator, whether or not it affords an award to a successful operator, shall obtain a license from the clerk of the Circuit Court of Garrett County to do so. The annual license fee [shall be] IS \$30 for each machine or device AND SHALL BE PRORATED QUARTERLY. All annual licenses shall expire on the thirtieth day of April in each year AND ARE TRANSFERABLE TO A MACHINE OF THE SAME TYPE.

(2) The license fees collected under the provisions of this section shall be paid to the county for deposit in the county funds and disbursed therefrom in the manner and for the purposes prescribed by the county commissioners.

(b) Any service or merchandise machine is excluded from this section.

(c) Each machine or device so licensed shall have affixed to it a [permanent and visible stamp] CERTIFICATE showing that the license fee has been paid. [The stamp evidencing payment of the license fee may not be transferred from one machine or device to another machine or device.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1982.

Approved May 4, 1982.

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CHAPTER 147

(Senate Bill 910)

AN ACT concerning