

**CHAPTER 167**

**(House Bill 255)**

AN ACT concerning

**Frederick County - Gaming - Raffles**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the holder of a gaming event in Frederick County during each calendar year to hold one raffle in which prize drawings are held on more than a single day if the major prize does not exceed a certain monetary value; specifying that certain restrictions on the monetary value of prizes apply to raffles for which prize drawings are held on a single day; clarifying the monetary value of a major prize in a certain gaming event; and generally relating to raffles in Frederick County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Criminal Law

Section 13-1304

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2002 Volume and 2005 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article - Criminal Law**

13-1304.

(a) Before an organization listed in subsection (b) of this section may conduct a gaming event, the organization shall obtain a permit from the county agency that the county commissioners designate.

(b) An organization may conduct a gaming event for its own benefit if the organization is:

- (1) a bona fide:
  - (i) religious organization;
  - (ii) fraternal organization;
  - (iii) civic organization;
  - (iv) war veterans' organization;
  - (v) hospital;
  - (vi) amateur athletic organization;
  - (vii) patriotic organization;
  - (viii) educational organization; or