

Pinball Machines - Licenses

FOR the purpose of altering the licensing requirements and penalties for failure to license billiard tables and pinball machines for Washington County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 56 - Licenses
Section 14 and 20C
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1983 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing

Article 56 - Licenses
Section 20
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1983 Replacement Volume)

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

Article 56 - Licenses

14.

(a) A license may be granted to any person who may apply for permission to keep a billiard table or tables, for which license there shall be paid the sum, except in Baltimore City AND WASHINGTON COUNTY, of ten dollars for each table; and the words billiard tables shall be construed to include pool tables; and provided further, that any person who shall keep a pool or billiard table where a charge is made for playing on the same but the said charge is returned or is to be returned to the players to be exchanged with the owner of said table or his agent for money, drinks, cigars or any other article of merchandise, shall be considered as gambling, and such tables shall be deemed gaming tables for the purposes of this article; and the person so keeping such table shall be liable to the penalty or penalties prescribed by the public general laws for keeping a gaming table or other place of gaming or permitting gambling on his or her premises.

(b) In Baltimore City, the fee for a billiards license is \$30.

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(1) No free-play pinball machines, as hereinafter defined, which shall be operated or played by the insertion of a coin or token, shall be kept, maintained or operated for the purpose of public entertainment only within the State of Maryland, unless a