

promoting an outdoor musical festival for purposes of requiring the payment of an annual license tax by the promoter to the county.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 56 - Licenses
Section 159 and 159B
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1983 Replacement Volume and 1984 Supplement)

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

Article 56 - Licenses

159.

(a) "Outdoor musical festival" means any group or group of persons participating in musical entertainment in open spaces and not in a permanent structure and not on publicly owned property.

(b) "Promoter" means the organizer, operator, producer, or the person or persons, or corporation staging the outdoor musical festival; and the owner, tenant, or lessee of the land upon which the outdoor musical festival is performed. The term shall not include the State or any political subdivision.

(c) "Spectator" means a member of a gathering of 1,000 or more persons who are in attendance for the purpose of viewing and/or hearing the outdoor musical festival. In Washington, Frederick [and] Carroll, AND QUEEN ANNE'S counties, "spectator" means a member of a gathering of 500 or more persons who are in attendance for the purpose of viewing and hearing the outdoor musical festival.

159B.

(a) For the purposes of this section, "outdoor musical festival promoter" means every person engaged in the business of organizing, producing or staging musical entertainment in open spaces and not in a permanent structure for a gathering of one thousand (1,000) or more persons who pay a consideration or admission charge to view and hear such musical entertainment. For purposes of this section, in Washington, Frederick, [and] Carroll, AND QUEEN ANNE'S counties "outdoor musical festival promoter" means every person engaged in the business of organizing, producing or staging musical entertainment in open spaces and not in a permanent structure for a gathering of 500 or more persons who pay a consideration or admission charge to view and hear such musical entertainment.

(b) Persons engaged in the business of outdoor musical festival promoting shall pay an annual license tax of five