

stamp machines, or any other gaming device, excluding slot machines as defined in § 264B of this article, if no individual or group of individuals benefits financially from the operation of the gaming devices, or receives or is paid any of the proceeds from the operation of the gaming devices for personal use or benefit. If used on a daily basis, the number of gaming devices operated by a volunteer fire company or bona fide fraternal, civic, war veterans', religious, or charitable organization or corporation is limited to five, and the premises in which the organization or corporation operates the gaming devices may not contain more than five gaming devices. All proceeds from the operation of paddle wheels, wheels of fortune, chance books, bingo, Nevada cards, stamp machines or any other gaming device shall be used solely for the legitimate charitable, benevolent, or exempt purposes of the volunteer fire company or bona fide fraternal, civic, war veterans', religious, or charitable organization or corporation and may not be used to personally benefit any member or members. Accurate books and records of proceeds and expenditures involving gaming devices shall be kept by the organization or corporation and, upon request, shall be made available for examination to the State's Attorney for St. Mary's County, to any [Maryland] State Police officer, and to the Sheriff or deputy sheriff of St. Mary's County. The operation of gaming devices shall be personally managed by members of the volunteer fire company or bona fide fraternal, civic, war veterans', religious, or charitable organization or corporation.

DRAFTER'S NOTE:

Subsection (d) of this section is amended to delete surplus language.

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(a) (4) (ii) The books and records shall be kept available for examination for 2 years following the game of bingo or raffle that is recorded, and on request, shall be made available for examination by:

5. The DEPARTMENT OF [Maryland] State Police; or

DRAFTER'S NOTE:

Subsection (a)(4)(ii)5 of this section is amended to reflect the establishment of the Department of State Police as a principal department of State government by Chs. 165 and 166, Acts of 1994 and to delete surplus language.

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(e) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the DEPARTMENT OF State Police may initiate investigations and otherwise enforce the provisions of §§ 276 through 302 of this article throughout the State without any limitation as to activities within municipal corporations or other subdivisions.

(f) (1) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, law enforcement officers of the Maryland Transportation Authority Police, the Maryland Port Administration Police, or any municipality, or county of this State may conduct investigations and otherwise enforce the provisions of §§ 276 through 302 of this article throughout the State without any limitations as to jurisdiction, to the same extent as a police employee of the DEPARTMENT OF [Maryland] State Police. This authority may