

~~(7)~~ (5) EXCEPT FOR A GRATUITY OFFERED BY A PUBLIC INVITEE WHO IS PLAYING THE GAMES OF CHANCE OFFERED DURING THE CASINO NIGHT ACTIVITIES, A PERSON MAY NOT PAY AN INDIVIDUAL WHO ASSISTS IN CONDUCTING A CASINO NIGHT A SALARY OR COMPENSATION OF ANY KIND FOR ASSISTING IN CONDUCTING THE CASINO NIGHT.

~~(8)~~ (6) (I) ~~SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH,~~ A PERSON THAT CONDUCTS A CASINO NIGHT IN VIOLATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBSECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND, ON CONVICTION, IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$5,000 OR IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 3 YEARS OR BOTH.

(II) ~~IN ADDITION TO THE PENALTIES PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH,~~ A PERSON THAT CONDUCTS A CASINO NIGHT ~~THAT IS CONVICTED OF A~~ IN VIOLATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBSECTION IS SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING PENALTIES:

1. FOR A FIRST VIOLATION, A 30-DAY SUSPENSION OF THE PERSON'S PERMIT TO CONDUCT A CASINO NIGHT AND A \$500 CIVIL PENALTY;

2. FOR A SECOND VIOLATION, A 6-MONTH SUSPENSION OF THE PERSON'S PERMIT AND A \$3,000 CIVIL PENALTY; AND

3. FOR A THIRD VIOLATION, REVOCATION OF THE PERSON'S PERMIT AND A \$10,000 CIVIL PENALTY.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 27 – Crimes and Punishments

258B.

(c) (1) [The governing body of Prince George's county may restrict, regulate, or prohibit the issuance of written permits authorized under this section.

(2) (I) In this subsection "casino night" means a benefit performance at which card games, wheels of [fortune] CHANCE, or roulette are played and [prizes] MONEY WINNINGS OR TOKENS REDEEMABLE IN MONEY are awarded AS PRIZES.

(II) "CASINO NIGHT" DOES NOT INCLUDE A BENEFIT PERFORMANCE SUCH AS A CARNIVAL, FAIR, OR BAZAAR AT WHICH THE ONLY FORM OF GAMING IS A WHEEL OF FORTUNE, BIG WHEEL, OR OTHER WHEEL OF CHANCE.

(2) SUBSECTION (A) OR SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION OR § 255 OF THIS SUBHEADING MAY NOT BE CONSTRUED TO AUTHORIZE CASINO NIGHTS IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY.

(3) A person who violates any provisions of this subsection or a county ordinance enacted pursuant to the provisions of this subsection is guilty of a misdemeanor and, on conviction, is subject to a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or imprisonment not exceeding 3 years or both.