

CHAPTER 636

(House Bill 1301)

AN ACT concerning

Washington County Gaming Commission

FOR the purpose of establishing the Washington County Gaming Commission; providing for the membership, terms, and chairmanship of the Commission; specifying certain qualifications for membership; ~~authorizing the Commission a county agency designated by the Board of County Commissioners~~ to issue certain licenses for ~~selling or operating tip jar devices~~ tip jar packets or operating a tip jar in the County; requiring that a person hold a tip jar license ~~issued by the Commission~~ before the person operates a tip jar ~~contest~~ in the County; specifying certain requirements for a tip jar license; requiring that applicants for certain licenses pay certain fees; specifying a certain expiration date for certain licenses; requiring the Commission ~~to send an agent to inspect certain premises~~, the Board of County Commissioners, and a designated county agency to take certain actions concerning the administration of this Act; requiring that a person hold a wholesaler's license before the person sells a tip jar ~~device~~ packet in the County; specifying certain requirements for a wholesaler's license; authorizing a volunteer fire company or volunteer rescue company to hold both a tip jar license and wholesaler's license; requiring a holder of a wholesaler's license to affix certain stickers to tip jar ~~devices~~ packets; establishing the Washington County Gaming Fund; requiring certain for-profit ~~organizations~~ entities to deposit certain moneys to the credit of the Fund; requiring the Commission to make ~~annual~~ certain distributions of ~~moneys collected in revenue from~~ the Fund according to a certain formula; requiring holders of tip jar licenses to submit quarterly reports to the Commission; specifying the contents of those reports; providing for the disposition of certain revenues; providing for certain audits; providing that certain information be available for public inspection; authorizing the Commission to assess assessment of fines and deny, suspend or revoke the denial, suspension, and revocation of licenses under certain circumstances; providing certain procedural rights; prohibiting certain acts ~~and~~, including allowing an individual under a specified age to play a tip jar; providing for certain penalties for violation of the prohibitions; defining certain terms; authorizing certain entities to continue to distribute certain tip jar proceeds for a certain period in a certain manner; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Washington County Gaming Commission and the regulation of tip jars in Washington County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

Section ~~255(e)(3)~~ 255(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1992 Replacement Volume and 1994 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments