

CHAPTER 607

(House Bill 1278)

AN ACT concerning

~~Maryland Drug and Alcohol Equitable Sharing Fund~~Governor's Drug and Alcohol Abuse Commission

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Governor's Drug and Alcohol Abuse Commission to establish a grants program for neighborhood crime prevention programs and drug and alcohol abuse education, prevention, treatment, adjudication, and law enforcement programs; ~~establishing the Maryland Drug and Alcohol Equitable Sharing Grants Program Fund to be used for equitable sharing of forfeited assets between law enforcement agencies and to establish a grants program for drug and alcohol abuse education, prevention, treatment, adjudication, and law enforcement programs;~~ providing that certain property seized by State law enforcement authorities be forfeited to the Fund; ~~establishing a fee to be imposed upon a person if the person is convicted of a certain crime and the State obtained a chemical analysis, blood, urine, or breath test in connection with the prosecution of the crime;~~ providing for the distribution of the fee the grants program; ~~requiring the State Comptroller to establish and maintain a certain account; providing for the accounting, investing, and budgeting of the Fund in a certain manner; designating a revenue source for the Fund~~ providing that the Fund shall consist of money from certain sources; ~~providing for the administration of this Fund by the Governor's Drug and Alcohol Abuse Commission; requiring the Commission to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; establishing eligibility criteria and procedures for the sharing of cash or proceeds;~~ providing for the disposition of certain forfeited property, and certain proceeds from the sale of certain forfeited property, that is seized by State law enforcement authorities; ~~requiring the State to impose an admissions and amusement tax at a certain rate on sponsor charges derived from certain 900 series exchange services; requiring the Comptroller to distribute the revenue collected from the admissions and amusement tax on 900 series exchange service to a certain fund; requiring the Public Service Commission to require that certain telephone companies, or the company's vendors, disclose the amount of the fee that is charged for 900 series exchange service and the admissions and amusement tax in a certain manner; providing for the legislative appropriation for a certain fiscal year of certain revenues derived as a result of this Act; making this Act a supplementary appropriation; providing for the termination of a section of this Act;~~ and generally relating to the Maryland Drug and Alcohol Equitable Sharing Fund Governor's Drug and Alcohol Abuse Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments
Section 297(k)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1987 Replacement Volume and 1991 Supplement)