

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

Section 255(i)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

255.

(i) (1) In Calvert County a volunteer fire company, or bona fide fraternal, civic, war veterans', religious or charitable organization or corporation may conduct or hold any carnival, bazaar, or gaming event in accordance with subsection (b) of this section if the County Commissioners of Calvert County grant a permit that specifies the nature of the gaming device and the frequency with which the carnival, bazaar, or gaming event shall be held.

(2) The County Commissioners shall appoint a gambling permit review committee consisting of [5] FIVE REGULAR members AND TWO ALTERNATE MEMBERS.

(3) A QUORUM OF THE GAMBLING PERMIT REVIEW COMMITTEE CONSISTS OF THREE REGULAR MEMBERS.

(4) IF FEWER THAN THREE REGULAR MEMBERS ARE PRESENT AT A MEETING, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE MAY MAKE A QUORUM BY DESIGNATING FOR THAT MEETING THE REQUIRED NUMBER OF ALTERNATE MEMBERS AS REGULAR MEMBERS.

(5) AN ALTERNATE MEMBER MAY PARTICIPATE ON THE COMMITTEE ONLY AS SET FORTH IN PARAGRAPH (4) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

(6) The committee shall be responsible for promulgating regulations, subject to approval by the commissioners, pertaining to gambling activities and the issuance of permits under this subsection.

(7) The County Commissioners may charge a reasonable fee for the issuance of the permit.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1998.

Approved May 21, 1998.