

CHAPTER 28.

Passed Feb. 27, 1856. AN ACT to prevent the introduction into this State of fraudulent Lotteries and Lottery Tickets.

Penalty.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That any person printing or procuring to be printed within this State, bringing or sending or procuring to be brought or sent into this State, any scheme or schemes of any pretended or fictitious lottery or any pretended drawing or drawings of any such scheme or schemes, or any ticket or part of a ticket or certificate of, or substitute for any ticket or tickets, or part or parts of a ticket or tickets in any such pretended or fictitious lottery, shall upon indictment therefor, and conviction thereof be punished by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars and costs and imprisonment for twelve months; and on the trial of any indictment under this section any lottery scheme, drawing, ticket, certificate of, or substitute for a ticket or tickets, which shall be proved to have been by the traverser or traversers, printed or procured to be printed within this State, or brought or sent or procured to be brought, or sent into this State, shall be held to be prima facie evidence of such act, within the description of this section, unless upon the face thereof, it shall be made to appear by what State or Territory or Government, such lottery shall be authorized, together with the title of the act authorizing the same, and the year when same was passed and the chapter and number of such act.

Not to print or procure to be printed.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That if any person or persons shall print or procure to be printed within this State, or bring or send or procure to be sent or brought into this State, any scheme, drawing, ticket, part of a ticket or certificate of or substitute for any ticket in any pretended or fictitious lottery, which shall upon the face thereof, or otherwise be falsely represented to be authorized by any State or Territory, or by the Congress of the United States, or by any other government, he shall upon indictment therefor, and conviction thereof be punished by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars and the costs of suit and imprisonment for not more than two years.

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SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That nothing in this act shall be construed to apply to schemes, drawing

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