

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City - Bingo

FOR the purpose of clarifying that, in Baltimore City, with respect to prizes that can be awarded at a bingo game conducted by certain organizations, a certain limit on the total amount of prizes applies to a combination of specified games; providing that the Police Commissioner of Baltimore City may issue permits for the conduct and operation of bingo in Baltimore City for certain periods; altering the fees that may be charged for certain permits; and generally relating to the conduct and operation of bingo in Baltimore City.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments
Section 260(b) and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1987 Replacement Volume)

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

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

260.

(b) Except as provided in subsection (c)(2) of this section, nothing in this subtitle shall be construed to make it unlawful for any bona fide fraternal, religious, patriotic, educational or charitable organization or any bona fide fraternal, religious, patriotic, educational or charitable corporation to operate or conduct a game of bingo in Baltimore City where no cash or prize of a greater value than \$45 is offered or given in any one game and where the entire proceeds, excluding costs incurred for personnel, supplies, equipment, and other expenses incidental thereto, are devoted to charitable purposes exclusively or in furtherance of the purposes of such organization or corporation.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, any organization or corporation devoted exclusively to charitable, religious or educational purposes or any service, fraternal or veterans organizations whose net earnings do not inure to the benefit of any stockholder or member of the association conducting the same may conduct or operate a game of bingo in Baltimore City if the