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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore City - Bingo - Prize Limit**

3 FOR the purpose of altering in Baltimore City the maximum value for the total of all
4 prizes of money or merchandise that may be awarded by an organization
5 conducting bingo; and generally relating to bingo in Baltimore City.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7 Article - Criminal Law
8 Section 13-507(i)(2)
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (As enacted by Chapter ____ (H.B. 11) of the Acts of the General Assembly of
11 2002)

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

14 **Article - Criminal Law**

15 13-507.

16 (i) (2) An organization conducting bingo in Baltimore City under subsection
17 (d) of this section:

18 (i) may not use the net proceeds to benefit a stockholder or
19 member of the organization;

1 (ii) after reimbursing any costs incurred in conducting bingo for
2 personnel, supplies, equipment, and other expenses, shall use the net proceeds:

- 3 1. solely for charitable purposes; or
4 2. to further the purposes of an organization listed in
5 subsection (d) of this section; and

6 (iii) shall limit prizes of money or merchandise to a value not
7 exceeding:

- 8 1. [\$4,000] \$5,000 for the total of all prizes;
9 2. \$75 for the total of all door prizes;
10 3. \$45 for each of not more than five early bird games;
11 4. \$75 for each of not more than 19 regular games;
12 5. \$150 for the starting prize of one regular game with a
13 jackpot, with nightly increases not exceeding \$75 and a consolation prize not
14 exceeding \$75;
15 6. \$150 for each of not more than four regular special games;
16 7. 50% of the proceeds for each of not more than four
17 split-the-pot games;
18 8. 100% of the proceeds for not more than one
19 winner-take-all game;
20 9. \$3,000 for a jackpot game which starts at 50 numbers and
21 adds one number every second night;
22 10. if the jackpot is not won, \$375 for a consolation prize for
23 any jackpot game;
24 11. \$300 for the first jackpot game in a buildup jackpot game
25 which starts at \$300 and 50 numbers and adds one number and \$75 each night; and
26 12. if the jackpot is not won, \$225 for the consolation prize for
27 any buildup jackpot game.

28 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
29 October 1, 2002.

