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Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Anne Arundel County - Charitable Gaming - Card Games**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing certain organizations in Anne Arundel County to
4 conduct a card game as a fund-raiser at which prizes of money or merchandise
5 may be awarded; and generally relating to charitable gaming in Anne Arundel
6 County.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
8 Article - Criminal Law
9 Section 13-201(a) and (c) and 13-402
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2002 Volume and 2005 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article - Criminal Law
14 Section 13-404
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2002 Volume and 2005 Supplement)

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

19 **Article - Criminal Law**

20 13-201.

21 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

22 (c) "Qualified organization" means:

23 (1) a volunteer fire company; or

24 (2) a bona fide:

25 (i) religious organization;

1 (ii) fraternal organization;

2 (iii) civic organization;

3 (iv) war veterans' organization; or

4 (v) charitable organization.

5 13-402.

6 (a) This subtitle applies only in Anne Arundel County.

7 (b) Subtitle 2 of this title applies in Anne Arundel County.

8 13-404.

9 (A) [A] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, A person
10 may not conduct a casino event in the county.

11 (B) A QUALIFIED ORGANIZATION MAY CONDUCT A CARD GAME AS A
12 FUND-RAISER FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE QUALIFIED ORGANIZATION AT WHICH
13 PRIZES OF MONEY OR MERCHANDISE MAY BE AWARDED.

14 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
15 July 1, 2006.