

HOUSE BILL 1321

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By: **Delegates Walker and Buckel**

Introduced and read first time: February 15, 2019

Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Campaign Finance – Prohibition of Video Lottery Contributions – Repeal**

3 FOR the purpose of repealing a prohibition on applicants for a certain video lottery
4 operation license, holders of a certain video lottery operation license, and persons
5 who own an interest in the operation of a video lottery facility in the State from
6 directly or indirectly making a contribution to certain campaign finance entities of
7 certain candidates or certain campaign finance entities organized in support of
8 certain candidates; repealing a certain exception to the prohibition; repealing certain
9 definitions; and generally relating to the prohibition on contributions by persons
10 with an interest in video lottery operations.

11 BY repealing

12 Article – Election Law

13 Section 13–237

14 Annotated Code of Maryland

15 (2017 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

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

18 **Article – Election Law**

19 [13–237.

20 (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

21 (2) “Own” has the meaning stated in § 9–1A–01 of the State Government
22 Article.

23 (3) “Video lottery facility” has the meaning stated in § 9–1A–01 of the State

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 Government Article.

2 (4) "Video lottery operation license" has the meaning stated in § 9-1A-01
3 of the State Government Article.

4 (b) This section applies to the following persons:

5 (1) an applicant for a video lottery operation license;

6 (2) a holder of a video lottery operation license; or

7 (3) a person who owns an interest in the operation of a video lottery facility
8 in this State.

9 (c) This section does not apply to gaming activity that an eligible organization is
10 authorized to conduct under the Criminal Law Article.

11 (d) A person subject to this section may not, directly or indirectly, make a
12 contribution to:

13 (1) the campaign finance entity of a candidate for any nonfederal public
14 office in the State; or

15 (2) any other campaign finance entity organized in support of a candidate
16 for any nonfederal public office in the State.]

17 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
18 October 1, 2019.