Chapter 275

(House Bill 945)

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Multi-Drawing Raffles

FOR the purpose of altering the number of weekly drawings allowed in a multi-drawing raffle that certain organizations in Carroll County may conduct; repealing a certain limitation on the value of the major prize in a multi-drawing raffle; and generally relating to raffles in Carroll County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
  Article – Criminal Law
  Section 13–903(b) and 13–904(a)(1) and (2)
  Annotated Code of Maryland
  (2021 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
  Article – Criminal Law
  Section 13–904(c)(3)
  Annotated Code of Maryland
  (2021 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

Article – Criminal Law

13–903.

(b) To conduct bingo or a gaming event an organization must be a bona fide:

(1) religious organization;

(2) fraternal organization;

(3) civic organization;

(4) war veterans’ organization;

(5) hospital;

(6) amateur athletic organization;

(7) charitable organization; or
(8) volunteer fire company.

13–904.

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

(2) “Multi-drawing raffle” means a raffle for which the drawings are held on more than 1 day.

(c) (3) An organization listed in § 13–903 of this subtitle may not hold:

(i) more than [30] 52 weekly drawings in a multi-drawing raffle; OR

(ii) more than two multi-drawing raffles during a year[; or

(iii) a multi-drawing raffle in which the major prize is worth more than $1,100].

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2022.

Approved by the Governor, May 12, 2022.