

HOUSE BILL 945

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By: **Delegates Shoemaker and Rose**

Introduced and read first time: February 10, 2022

Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Carroll County – Multi-Drawing Raffles**

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

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
8 Article – Criminal Law
9 Section 13–903(b) and 13–904(a)(1) and (2)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article – Criminal Law
14 Section 13–904(c)(3)
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

19 **Article – Criminal Law**

20 13–903.

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

22 (1) religious organization;

23 (2) fraternal organization;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



- 1 (3) civic organization;
- 2 (4) war veterans' organization;
- 3 (5) hospital;
- 4 (6) amateur athletic organization;
- 5 (7) charitable organization; or
- 6 (8) volunteer fire company.

7 13-904.

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

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

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

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

13 **OR**

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

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

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