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CHAPTER 17

PIN BALL MACHINES

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§ 441. License required

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, corporation or association to keep for public patronage, or to permit or allow the operation of, any pin ball machine, in or on any premises or location under his or its charge, control or custody without having first obtained a license therefor from the clerk of the municipality where located.

1957, c. 230.

§ 442. Definition

The term "pin ball machine" shall be only those machines nominally denominated as such which, upon the insertion of a coin, slug, token, plate or disc, may be operated by the public generally for use as game, entertainment or amusement, whether or not registering a score, and which is operated for amusement only and does not dispense any form of payoff, prize or reward except free replays.

1957, c. 230.

§ 443. Issuance of license

The license required shall be obtained from said clerk upon the payment of an annual fee of \$5 for each premise on which such machine or machines shall be located and shall expire on June 30th of each year. The application for such license shall be made to the clerk upon a form supplied by him for that purpose and shall contain such information as he may require. No such license shall be granted to any person under the age of 21 nor to

any firm, corporation or association whose officers are under said age.

1957, c. 230.

§ 444. Posting of license

The license required shall be posted securely and conspicuously on the premises for which it is granted.

1957, c. 230.

§ 445. License nontransferable

The license required shall not be transferable to any other person, firm, corporation or association, or from location to location, and shall be valid only at the location and for the person, firm, corporation or association designated therein.

1957, c. 230.

§ 446. Minors under 16

No person, firm, corporation or association holding a license under this chapter shall permit or allow any person under the age of 16 to play or operate any such machine in or on the licensed premises except when accompanied by parent or guardian.

1957, c. 230.

§ 447. Application

Nothing in this chapter shall in any way be construed to authorize, license or permit any gambling devices whatsoever or any mechanism that has been by the courts determined to be a gambling device or in any way contrary to law.

1957, c. 230.

§ 448. Copy of license

A copy of this license shall be forwarded to the local police department.

1957, c. 230.

§ 449. Revocation of license; appeal

Any such license may be revoked by the clerk:

1. Violation. When it has been made to appear to the clerk that there has been a violation of the terms of sections 441 to 448, or

2. Improper persons. When it has been made to appear to the clerk that the licensee himself or any of the officers of the firm, corporation or association are not proper persons to hold such a license, or

3. Improper location. When it has been made to appear to the clerk that the premises for which the license was granted is not a proper location.

The licensee shall have the right to appeal in writing such revocation to the municipal officers within 10 days. Said municipal officers may, after hearing, affirm, modify or repeal the decision of said clerk, and failure of the licensee to appeal within the time designated shall be deemed to constitute a waiver of the right of appeal and shall constitute an affirmation of the revocation.

1957, c. 230.

§ 450. Violations

Any person, firm, or, in the case of a corporation or association, any official thereof, violating any of the provisions of this chapter, shall upon conviction be punished by a fine not exceeding \$25 for each offense, and each day such violation exists shall constitute a separate offense.

1957, c. 230.