

## **Chapter 147**

### **(House Bill 900)**

AN ACT concerning

#### **Carroll County – Fortune Telling Ban – Repeal**

FOR the purpose of repealing a provision that prohibits a person from demanding or accepting payment or gratuity to forecast or foretell, or pretend to forecast or foretell, the future of another person by certain methods in Carroll County; repealing a certain penalty; and generally relating to the repeal of the ban on fortune telling in Carroll County.

BY repealing

The Public Local Laws of Carroll County

Section 4–103

Article 7 – Public Local Laws of Maryland

(2004 Edition and July 1, 2010 Supplement, as amended)

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

#### **Article 7 – Carroll County**

[4–103.

(a) In Carroll County, a person may not demand or accept payment or a gratuity to forecast or foretell, or pretend to forecast or foretell, the future of another person by:

- (1) Reading a card;
- (2) Reading the palm of a hand; or
- (3) Any other scheme, practice, or device.

(b) A person who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to imprisonment in the Carroll County Detention Center not exceeding 6 months or a fine not exceeding \$100 or both.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2011.

**Approved by the Governor, April 12, 2011.**