

SEC. 3. *Be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 5, 1910.

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CHAPTER 200.

AN ACT to require the Washington, Potomac and Chesapeake Railroad Company to operate two trains daily, Sundays excepted, each way over its tracks from Mechanicsville, in St. Mary's County, to Brandywine, in Prince George's County, Maryland, and limiting the charges to be made for hauling freight over said railroad.

Whereas, the Washington Potomac and Chesapeake Railroad Company, a body corporate, duly incorporated under the laws of the State of Maryland, and operating a single track railroad from Mechanicsville, in St. Mary's County, to Brandywine, in Prince George's County, and all within the State of Maryland, now operates only one train daily each way over said road, thus making it necessary for many of its traveling patrons to spend the greater part of three days in going to and returning from the cities of Washington and Baltimore; and,

Whereas, the freight charges for freight hauled over said railroad are so enormous that they are practically prohibitive of the shipment of certain articles of merchandise; therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the said Washington, Potomac and Chesapeake Railroad Company, a body corporate, be and it is hereby required to operate two accommodation trains daily each way (Sundays excepted) over its railroad tracks from Mechanicsville, in St. Mary's County, to Brandywine, in Prince George's County, the first train to leave Mechanicsville, in St. Mary's County, each morning for Brandywine, so as to connect with trains of the Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington Railroad Company, going north and south, and thence leaving said Brandywine station for Mechanicsville not later than 9.30 A. M., and then to leave Mechanicsville not later than 12.30 P. M., so as to reach Brandywine Station in time to connect with the trains of Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington Railroad Company in the afternoon going north and south, and thence returning to Mechanicsville not later than 8 P. M. each day, and this Act shall apply to and be in full force as against any other railroad company, by whatsoever name it may operate under or be called or known which may acquire, purchase or lease or operate the said track and rolling stock of the said Washington, Potomac and Chesapeake Rail-