CHAPTER 353.

AN ACT to refund to the Permanent Building Association of Harford county, to the Salisbury Permanent Building and Loan Association of Wicomico county, to the Eutaw Permanent Building and Loan Association of Baltimore city, and to the Equitable Savings and Loan Association of Frostburg, sums of money paid by the said associations to the Treasurer of the State of Maryland as a bonus tax, under Chapter 556 of the Acts of 1890.

WHEREAS, The Permanent Building Association of Harford Preamble. county paid to the Treasurer of the State of Maryland, the sum of three hundred and seventy-five dollars; and

WHEREAS, The Salisbury Permanent Building and Loan Association of Wicomico county has paid to the Treasurer of Preamble, the State of Maryland, the sum of eighty-three dollars and thirty-four cents (\$83.34); and

WHEREAS, The Eutaw Permanent Building and Loan Association of Baltimore city has paid to the Treasurer of the State of Maryland, the sum of one hundred and sixty-two dollars and fifty cents (\$162.50); and

Whereas, The Equitable Savings and Loan Association of Frostburg has paid to the Treasurer of the State of Maryland, Preamble the sum of three hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$325); all of which sums being paid to the said State by the said associations as bonus under the Acts of 1890, chapter 536; and

Whereas, The said act was repealed and re-enacted by the Act of 1894, chapter 114, whereby building associations were exempted from the payment of such said tax; and

WHEREAS, The said Act of 1894, chapter 114, contained in section 2 thereof, a saving clause exempting building and preamble homestead associations from the payment of the said bonus tax, which said associations had not paid the said bonus tax according to the provisions of the Act of 1890, chapter 536; and

WHEREAS, A large number of like associations declined and refused to comply with the said law imposing said bonus tax Preamble. and refused to pay the same; and

WHEREAS, It appears to be the policy of this State not to Preamble. burden these associations with this tax.