

CHAPTER 191.

AN ACT to provide for the organization of a company to acquire, own and operate the properties, rights and franchises of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company and other companies whose lines form part of the Baltimore and Ohio system of railroads, to prescribe the powers, rights, immunities, privileges and franchises of the company so organized, and to provide for the operation by such company of the Washington Branch of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

WHEREAS, all the properties and affairs of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company are now held and managed by receivers appointed by the Circuit Court of the United States for the District of Maryland, and by the several Circuit Courts of the United States for the other districts in which said properties are situated, by orders of said courts respectively entered in the respective suits in equity therein instituted by the Mercantile Trust Company, a corporation of the State of New York, against the said Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, and the condition of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company's affairs may result in the foreclosure of one or more of the several mortgage liens existing on the main stem, branches or divisions of said company's system of railroads, therefore, Preamble.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Louis Fitzgerald, Henry Budge, Eugene Delano and Edward R. Bacon, all of New York, in the State of New York; George H. Earle, Jr., of Philadelphia, in the State of Pennsylvania; Alexander Brown, John Gill of R., William F. Frick, Edwin Warfield, James Bond, J. McKenny White and Thomas J. Hayward, all of Baltimore, in the State of Maryland, or their survivors, or a majority of them or their survivors be and they are hereby authorized, together with their associates, if any, to form a corporation for the purpose of owning, maintaining and operating the railroads and property of whatever nature or description of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, or any part or portion thereof, and of any company whose line forms part of the Baltimore and Ohio system of railroads, by filing in the office of the Secretary of State a certificate of the name and style of such corporation, the number of directors of the same, the names of its first directors, the period of their service or their periods of ser- Body
corporate.