

acceptance and the protesting and giving notice of the dishonor of bills of exchange, bank checks, drafts, promissory notes and other negotiable paper, be a legal half holiday, and shall be treated and considered as the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday, and all such bills, checks, drafts and notes which, on their face, or under any existing law or by the provisions of this Act shall be payable or presentable for acceptance or payment on any half-holiday Saturday shall be deemed to be payable or presentable for acceptance or payment, and notice of protest and dishonor thereof may be given on the next succeeding secular or business day; provided, that checks and paper payable at sight, or on demand, presentable for payment on half-holiday Saturday may, at the option of the holder thereof, be payable and presentable for acceptance or payment on such half-holiday Saturday before twelve o'clock noon; provided further, that for the purpose of protesting or otherwise holding liable any party to any such check or paper payable at sight, or on demand, presentable for payment on any half-holiday Saturday, and which shall have been presented and dishonored on such half-holiday Saturday, notice of protest and dishonor thereof may be given on the next succeeding secular or business day; and provided further, that whenever any person shall receive for collection in said city of Baltimore, any bill of exchange, bank check, draft or promissory note due and presentable for acceptance or payment on any half-holiday Saturday, such person shall not be deemed guilty of any neglect or omission of duty, or incur any liability in not presenting for payment or acceptance, or collecting such bill of exchange, bank check, draft or promissory note on that day; and provided further, that in construing this section, every half-holiday Saturday shall, until twelve o'clock noon, be deemed as secular or business day.

120 c. Whenever any bill of exchange, bank check, draft or promissory note shall be presentable for payment in the city of Baltimore on the secular or business day next succeeding the day on which it would otherwise have been presentable for payment, interest on the same shall be computed down to and including such secular or business day. Interest.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from and after the first day of May, 1898. Effective.

Approved April 9, 1898.

CHAPTER 199.

AN ACT to repeal Section 246 of Article 23 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, title "Corporations," sub-