

CHAPTER 37.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Section 320 of Article 93 of the Code of 1904 of Public General Laws of Maryland, title "Testamentary Law," sub-title "Wills."

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 320 of Article 93 of the Code of 1904 of Public General Laws of Maryland, title "Testamentary Law," sub-title "Wills," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments so as to read as follows :

320. No devise, legacy or bequest shall lapse or fail of taking effect by reason of the death of any devisee or legatee (actually and specially named as devisee or legatee, or who is or shall be mentioned, described or in any manner referred to, or designated or identified as devisee or legatee in any will, testament or codicil) in the lifetime of the testator, except as hereinafter provided, but every such devise, legacy or bequest shall have the same effect and operation in law to transfer the right, estate and interest in the property mentioned in such devise or bequest as if such devisee or legatee had survived the testator; provided, however, that this Act shall not apply to the last will, testament or codicil of any person dying after the passage of this Act, where the maker of said last will, testament or codicil, after the execution thereof and before the death of such devisee or legatee, shall become insane or otherwise incompetent to cancel, revoke, annul, obliterate or alter said last will, testament or codicil.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 31, 1910.

ARTICLE XCVI.

UNITED STATES.

CHAPTER 252.

AN ACT to give the consent of the State of Maryland to the United States acquiring, by purchase or otherwise, sufficient land in the State for the construction of a highway from the City of Washington, District of Columbia, to Gettysburg, State of Pennsylvania, with the right to condemn such land as it may find necessary for such highway.

Whereas, it has been proposed that the Congress of the United States should construct as a memorial to Abraham Lincoln a great highway from Washington to Gettysburg, and

Whereas, a bill is now pending before Congress for an appro-