

ration Day"; the 4th of July, called "Independence Day"; the 12th day of September, known as "Defenders' Day"; the 12th day of October, known as "Columbus Day"; the 11th day of November, known as "Armistice Day"; the 25th day of December, called "Christmas Day"; and all days of general and congressional elections throughout the State, and all special days that may be appointed or recommended by the Governor of this State, or the President of the United States, as days of thanksgiving or fasting and prayer, or other religious observance, or for the general cessation of business, shall be regarded as legal holidays, and shall be duly observed as such, and shall for all purposes whatsoever as regards the presenting for payment or acceptance and of the protesting and giving notice of dishonor of bills of exchange, bank checks, drafts and promissory notes, to be treated and considered as the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday, and all such bills, drafts, checks and notes presented for payment or acceptance on these said days, shall be deemed to be presented for acceptance or payment on the secular or business day next succeeding such holiday.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1927.

Approved April 1, 1927.

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## CHAPTER 240.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 55 of Article 33 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, Edition of 1924, title "Elections," sub-title "Nominations," so as to change the time within which certificates of nomination may be filed.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 55 of Article 33 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, Edition of 1924, title "Elections," sub-title "Nominations," be, and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, so as to read as follows:

55. Except in cases provided for by Section 59 and cases of special election to fill vacancies in office caused by death,