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WHEREAS, The Washington, Baltimore and Annapolis Electric Railroad Company did not in the year 1930 earn its operating charges, and it is of the utmost importance for the welfare of the State and particularly the communities served by said railroad, that the operation of said railroad be continued, and

WHEREAS, It is in the judgment of the General Assembly of Maryland a wise and sound public policy to encourage the continued operation of said railroad by the exemption herein provided:

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the railroad property of the Washington, Baltimore and Annapolis Electric Railroad Company, or so much thereof as may be used for railroad purposes by said company, its receiver, successors and assigns, be exempt from all State taxes and charges, including contributions to the cost of construction of railroad crossings made or to be made under the authority of the State Roads Commission, and from all county and city taxes and charges in the nature of a tax for the years during which the property is so used, but not exceeding two years beginning January 1, 1931.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1931.

Approved April 17, 1931.

CHAPTER 498.

AN ACT to add 18 new sections to Article 56 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1924 Edition), title "Licenses," sub-title "Motor Vehicles," said new sections to be known as Sections 187-187Q and to follow immediately after Section 186 of said Article providing for the revocation of the license of an operator or chauffeur and the registration certificate of any motor vehicle registered in the name of such operator