of local taxes in arrears in said County or City and at the rate in effect for the month when payment is received.' This appears to be a step away from uniformity, which might tend to induce delay in the payment of State taxes by corporations."

The State Tax Commission has also notified me that the Commission finds no reason for this change in the law and requests that it be vetoed.

## VACATION AND SICK LEAVE.

Chapter 488 (Senate Bill 208). This Bill is opposed by Harry C. Jones, State Employment Commissioner.

It provides that in the computation of sick and vacation leave for State employees, Saturday should be only computed as a half-day. The Employment Commissioner points out that employees are paid for a full day on Saturday and that many State employees are required to work all day on Saturday. He adds that to make Saturday a "half-day" for such computation as suggested is inadvisable.

Other State officials have pointed out the difficulties which may occur if this Bill is approved. I find it necessary to veto it.

## WAR VETERANS.

Chapter 680 (House Bill 167). The State Law Department has rendered an opinion in which the belief is stated that the courts would not sustain this enactment or enforce the permit regulation, under the Bill. The measure prohibits under criminal penalty, any person other than a member of the Veterans organizations from selling lapel ornaments without a permit from a local Veterans organization.

A further provision is made that the permits may be issued by two designated organizations in Baltimore City.

The Attorney General points out that, under the provisions of the Bill, the permit would not be issued by a public officer and that the measure does not purport to relate in any way to the police power.

In view of the Attorney General's opinion, I feel that I have no other alternative but to veto the Bill.

## WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Chapter 425 (House Bill 63). This measure undertook to provide a Board of Assessment for Washington County and sets forth a procedure to be followed in connection with the reassessment of property.