cept as hereinafter provided. All dwellings and improvements other than those above described and the land upon which they are erected and the curtilage, yard and garden used in connection therewith shall be liable to assessment and taxation. Whenever any land now used exclusively for agricultural and grazing purposes has been or may hereafter be platted into building lots then all such lots so platted shall be liable to assessment and taxation. The provisions herein contained in reference to assessment and taxation shall prevail over anything to the contrary notwithstanding contained in Section 197 of this Article, as the same was repealed and re-enacted by Chapter 550 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1939.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1941.

Approved May 26, 1941.

## CHAPTER 377.

## (House Bill 582)

AN ACT to repeal the sub-title "Clerks and Registers Retirement Board", and Sections 84 to 87, inclusive, of Article 17 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Clerks of Court", and to repeal the sub-title "Penal Institutions—Pensions", and to repeal Sections 793 to 797, inclusive, of Article 27 of said Code, title "Crimes and Punishments", and to repeal Sections 1 to 4, inclusive, of Article 73B of said Code, title "Pensions" and to add 14 new sections to said Article 73B establishing a State Employes' System, providing for the creation of a Board of Trustees to manage and operate said system, and providing for contributions from employees and appropriations by the State of Maryland for the operation and maintenance of said system.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the sub-title "Clerks and Registers Retirement Board", that Sections 84 to 87, inclusive, of Article 17 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Clerks of Court", and the sub-title "Penal Institutions—Pensions", and Sections 793 to 797, inclusive, of Article 27 of the said Code, title "Crimes and Punishments", and Sections 1 to 4, inclusive, of Article 73B of the said Code, title "Pensions" be and the same are hereby repealed and 14 new sections be hereby