

sion, start proceedings to enforce the liability of such other person, the injured employee, or in case of death, his dependents, may enforce the liability of such other person provided, however, that if damages are recovered the injured employee or in case of death his dependents may first retain therefrom the expenses and costs of action incurred by the said employee or in case of death his dependents, and the employer, insurance company, association or the State Accident Fund, as the case may be, shall be reimbursed for the compensation already paid or awarded and any amount or amounts paid for medical or surgical services, funeral expenses or for any of the other purposes enumerated in Section 49 of this Article, and the balance in excess of these items shall enure to the injured employee, or in case of death, to his dependents, and the amount thus received by the injured employee or in case of death by his dependents shall be in lieu of any award that might otherwise have been made thereafter in the same case under the provisions of this Article and said case shall thereupon be deemed to have been finally settled and closed.

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

Approved April 28, 1941.

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CHAPTER 528.

(Senate Bill 400)

AN ACT to authorize the Board of Public Works to apply any excess receipts above a specified surplus for the fiscal years ending September 30, 1941 and September 30, 1942 to the State debt and to reduce the State Real Estate Tax proportionately for such fiscal years.

WHEREAS, real estate now bears a heavy and disproportionate share of the tax burden in this State; and

WHEREAS, the State should therefore help to alleviate this condition by reducing the State real estate tax whenever possible; therefore

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That if the revenues derived from the State Income Tax and other sources of revenue, including the