surplus carried over from the preceding fiscal year for the fiscal years ending September 30, 1941, and September 30, 1942, exceed the appropriations for each of said years, as contained in the State Budget for said years, by more than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00), the Board of Public Works, in its discretion, may by a resolution dedicate all or any part of such excess revenues to the payment of the interest and principal of the State debt payable during each of the fiscal years ending September 30, 1942 and September 30, 1943. After the adoption of such a resolution, the part of the excess revenues so dedicated shall be applied exclusively to the payment of such interest and principal and to no other purpose. Such a resolution shall operate to reduce the State real estate tax rate for the fiscal years ending September 30, 1942, and September 30, 1943, by the amount so dedicated to the State debt. Immediately upon the adoption of such a resolution, the Governor shall issue a proclamation setting forth the amount of such reduction in the State tax rate, and the resulting rate for the fiscal years ending September 30. 1942, and September 30, 1943, respectively. This act shall not apply to dedicated funds.

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

Approved May 26, 1941.

CHAPTER 529.

(Senate Bill 408)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 5 of Article 62 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Marriages", relating to the power of Judges to authorize the Clerk to deliver license for marriage before expiration of forty-eight (48) hours after application therefor.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 5 of Article 62 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Marriages", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

5. Before the Clerk of any of the Courts aforesaid shall issue any license he shall examine one of the con-