suspending all laws inconsistent with this Act to the extent of such inconsistency; and providing for the severability of the various provisions of this Act."

Which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Elections.

Senate Bill No. 4—By Senator T. F. Johnson:

A Bill entitled "An Act to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 138 of Article 24 of Flack's Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title 'Worcester County', sub-title 'Ocean City', changing and lengthening the hours during which the polls shall be kept open during municipal elections in the town of Ocean City, Maryland."

Which was read the first time and referred to the Committee composed of Senators T. F. Johnson, White and Phoebus.

Senate Bill No. 5-By Senator Kimble:

A Bill entitled "An Act to propose an amendment to Section 5 of Article 4 of the Constitution of the State of Maryland, title 'Judiciary Department', sub-title 'Part I. General Provisions', relating to the filling of vacancies in the office of any judge in this State."

Which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill No. 6—By Senator Turnbull:

A Bill entitled "An Act to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 2D of Article 25 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1947 Supplement), title 'County Commissioners', sub-title 'General Provisions', as said section was enacted by Chapter 667 of the Acts of 1949, relating to the payment of supplementary retirement benefits to retired school teachers in Baltimore County."

Which was read the first time and referred to the Committee composed of Senators Turnbull, Stromberg and O'Neill.

Senate Bill No. 7-By Senator Turnbull:

A Bill entitled "An Act to add 3 new sections to the Code of Public Local Laws of Baltimore County (1948 Edition), title 'Baltimore County', to be known as Sections 185A to 185C, to be under a new sub-title, 'Title 15A, Law Department', and to follow immediately after Section 185 of said Article, and to repeal Section 64 of the said Code, establishing a department of law in Baltimore County and repealing the position of Counsel to the County Treasurer."

Which was read the first time and referred to the Committee composed of Senators Turnbull, Stromberg and O'Neill.

## RECESS

At 1:00 o'clock P. M., on motion of Senator Sothoron, the Senate took a recess until 3:00 o'clock P. M.