

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and being passed upon a ye and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 24, 1945.

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CHAPTER 342.

(House Bill 291)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 6 of Article 45 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Husband and Wife", providing that the right of dower shall not attach to lands held by two or more persons as joint tenants while such tenancy exists.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 6 of Article 45 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Husband and Wife", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

6. A widow shall be entitled to dower in lands held by equitable as well as legal title in the husband at any time during the coverture, whether held by him at the time of his death or not, but such right of dower shall not operate to the prejudice of any claim for the purchase money of such lands, or other lien on same. Provided, however, that no right of dower shall attach to any lands held by any two or more persons as joint tenants while such tenancy exists.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1st, 1945.

Approved March 24, 1945.

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CHAPTER 343.

(House Bill 294)

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 16 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Chancery", subtitle "Infants", said new section to be known as Section 78A,