

hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, so as to read as follows:

400(a) No tax shall be levied or collected upon the gross receipts derived from the amounts charged for admissions or refreshments, service and merchandise when such gross receipts are devoted exclusively to charitable, religious or educational purposes or inure exclusively to the benefit of a volunteer fire company, *nor when such gross receipts inure to the benefit of any Agricultural Fair provided no part of the net earnings thereof inure to the benefit of any stock holders or member of the association conducting the same and provided the proceeds therefrom are used exclusively for the improvement, maintenance and operation of such Agricultural Fair.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1953.

Approved April 27, 1953.

CHAPTER 613

(Senate Bill 319)

AN ACT to add thirteen (13) new sections to Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Natural Resources", sub-title "Conservation of Natural Resources", said new sections to be known as Sections 45A-45M, inclusive, to follow immediately after Section 45 of said Article and to be under a new sub-heading "Oil and Gas", relating to the development, production and utilization of the natural resources of oil and gas in the State, to authorize the Department of Geology, Mines and Water Resources to promote the orderly development, production and utilization of such oil and gas for the prevention of waste, and to require permits for the drilling of wells for oil and gas.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That thirteen (13) new sections be and they are hereby added to Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland

EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.