

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That for the purpose of paying the interest on said notes and/or bonds and for redeeming said notes and/or bonds as they mature, the County Commissioners of Harford County shall annually levy a tax upon the assessable property of said County sufficient to pay the annual interest on said notes and/or bonds and to redeem said notes and/or bonds as they become due until all of said notes and/or bonds shall mature and be redeemed. The taxes so levied shall be collected in the same manner as other taxes are levied and collected in said county.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1955.

Approved March 29, 1955.

CHAPTER 181

(Senate Bill 158)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 12 of Article 13 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes", sub-title "Legal Holidays", to extend the provisions of said Section concerning the status of negotiable paper on half-holiday Saturdays to optional banking business days. AND REMOVING BALTIMORE AND CAROLINE COUNTIES FROM LIST OF COUNTIES TO WHICH SAID SECTION DOES NOT APPLY.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 12 of Article 13 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes", sub-title "Legal Holidays", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

12. It shall be lawful for banks and bankers in the State of Maryland to close their doors for business at twelve o'clock noon on each and every Saturday in the year, and every Saturday in the year after twelve o'clock noon, shall, for all purposes whatever, so far as regards the presenting for payment or acceptance and the protesting and giving notice of the dishonor of bills of exchange, bank checks, drafts, promissory notes and other negotiable paper, be a legal half-holiday, and shall be treated and considered as the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday [, and] . All such bills, checks, drafts [and] , notes *and other negotiable paper* which, on their face, or under any existing law shall be payable or presentable for acceptance or ~~pay-~~ payment on any half-holiday Saturday *or optional business day* shall be deemed to be payable or presentable for acceptance or payment, and notice of protest and dishonor thereof may be given on the next succeeding secular or business day; provided, that checks and paper payable at sight, or on demand, presentable for payment on a half-

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.