

title "Sabbath Breaking", said new section to be known as Section 609A and to follow immediately after Section 609 thereof, relating to the exhibition of baseball and motion pictures in Worcester County at certain times on Sunday, except for Ocean City in the case of motion pictures, and providing for a referendum.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That a new section be and it is hereby added to Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Crimes and Punishments", sub-title "Sabbath Breaking", said new section to be known as Section 609A, to follow immediately after Section 609 thereof, and to read as follows:

*609A. Nothing contained in Sections 578 and 605 of this Article shall be construed to prohibit or make unlawful the exhibition within Worcester County of baseball and motion pictures between the hours of 2.00 P. M. and 6.00 P. M. and 9.00 P. M. and Midnight on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday, whether the same be exhibited with or without a charge or admission fee; provided, however, that all baseball and motion pictures exhibited shall be subject to all provisions of law relating to licensing and censorship applicable to baseball and motion picture exhibitions on week days. The work or employment of any operator, ticket seller or any other employees or attendants in connection with any such exhibition of baseball and motion pictures shall not be unlawful because performed on Sundays. Any exhibition of motion pictures and baseball on Sundays, except as hereby authorized, shall be unlawful and subject to the provisions and penalties of said Sections 578 and 605 of this Article. Nothing in this section shall be construed to affect or change the existing law concerning the exhibition of motion pictures in Ocean City on Sundays.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That Section 609A of this Act shall not become effective until it has been submitted for adoption or rejection to the qualified voters of Worcester County. At the next general or special election held in Worcester County, there shall be submitted to the regular and qualified voters of Worcester County the question whether the exhibition of baseball and motion pictures on Sundays shall be authorized, as provided by Section 609A. The County Commissioners of Worcester County shall cause to be printed on the ballots to be used at said election the title of this Act, and underneath said title on separate lines a square or box to the right of and opposite the words "For baseball and motion pictures on Sunday", and a corresponding square or box to the right of and opposite the words "Against baseball and motion pictures on Sunday", so that the said voters shall be able to designate by a cross mark in the proper square or box his or her decision for or against baseball and motion pictures on Sunday.

If a majority of the votes cast at said election in Worcester County on said question shall be for baseball and motion pictures on Sunday, then Section 609A of this Act shall automatically become effective in said County. If a majority of the votes cast in said County on said question shall be against baseball and motion pictures on Sunday, then Section 609A shall not become effective in said County.