able manner from the danger of being inundated with water and to secure the property abutting said water courses from interfering with the flow of drainage water in said water courses; to compel the owner or owners of the land abutting on said water courses to maintain, rebuild and repair any wall or other stabilizing structure, including the banks binding on said water courses, within the limits of Baltimore City, and upon neglect or refusal so to do, the City may cause the same to be done, in which event the City of Baltimore is authorized and empowered to recover the costs thereof by suit at law, which costs shall be a lien on the property of the person or corporation abutting the water course on which said work is done.

- (b) To establish and regulate within Baltimore City the uses of any area or areas of land and future construction thereon adjacent to, abutting on or in proximity to said water courses which are, in its judgment, due to the grade and elevation in relation to the beds of said water courses susceptible to flooding and to control and regulate the use, maintenance, and development, including the grading and filling and future construction within said area.
- (c) The powers herein granted to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall also apply to said natural water courses that may have been heretofore or may hereafter be relocated, straightened or established within the City of Baltimore.
- SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect as of June 1, 1957.

Approved April 10, 1957.

## CHAPTER 650

## (House Bill 682)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 600 of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Crimes and Punishments", sub-title "Sabbath Breaking", permitting the operation of bowling alleys and skating rinks on Sunday in Talbot County after 2:00 o'clock P. M. but not between 6:00 o'clock P. M. and 8:00 o'clock P. M. and allowing the participation in or observation of any amateur athletic contest on Sundays after 2:00 o'clock P. M.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 600 of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Crimes and Punishments", sub-title "Sabbath Breaking", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

600. (a) Nothing contained in Sections 578 and 605 of this Article shall be construed to prohibit or make unlawful the exhibition of

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.