and/or municipal employee of a county and/or municipal health department of this State. All employees appointed to the State Merit System pursuant to this Section shall be given credit thereunder for the years of service rendered in said county and/or municipal health departments for the purposes of establishing compensation rates and the basic rates for vacation and sick leave credit earnings. No such employee who has transferred from a county and/or municipal health department to the State merit system shall receive any diminution in compensation solely as a result of such transfer and appointment.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1959.

Approved May 5, 1959.

CHAPTER 827

(House Bill 851)

AN ACT to add new Section 21 (i) to Article 66B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Zoning and Planning", sub-title "Planning", sub-heading "Title 2—Zoning", to follow immediately after Section 21 (h) thereof, to prevent the construction of homes physically joined together in Anne Arundel County, except in the City of Annapolis.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That a new Section 21 (i) be and it is hereby added to Article 66B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Zoning and Planning", sub-title "Planning", sub-heading "Title 2—Zoning", to follow immediately after Section 21 (h) thereof, and to read as follows:

21.

(i) Notwithstanding the provisions of this Article or any regulations established hereunder, in Anne Arundel County, the Zoning Commission shall not permit the construction of two or more homes physically joined together or having a party or common wall between each home, in Anne Arundel County, except in the City of Annapolis. PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT NO PROVISION IN THIS ACT SHALL PREVENT THE CONSTRUCTION OF TWO OR MORE HOMES PHYSICALLY JOINED TOGETHER OR HAVING A PARTY OR COMMON WALL BETWEEN EACH HOME, ON LAND ZONED OR REZONED FOR SUCH PURPOSES PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1959.

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.