

*guards as are now or shall hereafter be applicable or permitted under Federal Law to any National Banking Association, provided, however, that this power shall only become available to the State banks and trust companies of this State by a special order of the Bank Commissioner with the advice and counsel of the Banking Board and then only if they deem it is reasonably required to preserve and protect the welfare of such institutions and the general economy of this State.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1963.*

Approved April 17, 1963.

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CHAPTER 294

(Senate Bill 372)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 150 of Article 23 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1962 Supplement), title "Corporations", sub-title "Building or Homestead Associations", to permit building and loan associations to invest in bonds of the political subdivisions of the State guaranteed by the political subdivisions.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 150 of Article 23 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1962 Supplement), title "Corporations", sub-title "Building or Homestead Associations", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:*

150.

The payment of the unpaid installments and the premiums on the share or shares so purchased or redeemed, with interest on the money paid therefor, as aforesaid, and all fines and penalties incurred in respect thereof by any member, shall be secured to such corporation, by mortgage on real or leasehold property, or by the hypothecation of stock of such corporation held by such member or by judgment of a court of law or by a justice of the peace or by a decree of a court of equity all as may be provided in the articles of association or bylaws; but in no case of hypothecation of stock no greater sum of money shall at any time be drawn out by any member than shall have been already paid in by him on all his shares at the time of said hypothecation, and all homestead or building associations organized under the laws of this State are hereby prohibited from investing in any other manner than in cash, fixtures, or loans on hypothecated stock of such associations, judgments or decrees for payment of money received by courts in this State, mortgages on real or leasehold estate situate in this State, ground rents issuing from real estate located in this State, bonds of this State *and bonds of any county, city or municipal corporation or other political subdivision of the State, which are guaranteed by the county, city or municipal corporation or other political subdivision as to principal and/or interest, and bonds or other obligations of, or guaranteed as* OF ANY COUNTY OR BALTIMORE CITY, OR BONDS WHICH