gany, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, Howard, Montgomery or Washington counties; one member shall be from Harford or Baltimore County; and two members shall be from Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's or St. Mary's counties.

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

Approved April 30, 1963.

## CHAPTER 551

(Senate Bill 523)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 31 of Article 9 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Attachments", sub-title "Attachments of Wages or Hire", and to add new Section 31A to the said Article and sub-title of the Code, to follow immediately after Section 31 thereof, to change the exemption of wages of employees from attachment in Cecil County, relating generally to the exemption of wages from attachment, and making a correction therein.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 31 of Article 9 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Attachments", sub-title "Attachments of Wages or Hire", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, and that new Section 31A be and it is hereby added to said Article and sub-title of the Code, to follow immediately after Section 31 thereof, and all to read as follows:

31.

No attachment of the wages or hire of any laborer or employee, in the hands of the employer, whether private individuals or bodies corporate, shall affect any salary or wages of the debtor which are not actually due at the date of the attachment; and the sum of one hundred dollars of such wages or hire due to any laborer or employee by any employer or corporation shall always be exempt from attachment by any process whatever. Every contract or agreement of any character whatsoever of such laborer or employee, the purpose of which is to waive this right of exemption, shall be absolutely void, provided, however, that the salary or wages of any laborer or employee shall not be exempt from attachment, levy or [lieu] lien at the instance of the State for income tax due the State by any such laborer or employee. This section shall not be applicable in Cecil County.

## 31A.

In Cecil County no attachment of the wages or hire of any laborer or employees, in the hands of the employer, whether private individuals or bodies corporate, shall affect any salary or wages of the debtor which are not actually due at the date of the attachment; and the sum of seventy-five percent (75%) of such wages or hire due any laborer or employee by any employer or corporation is exempt from attachment by any process whatever. Every contract or agreement of