CHAPTER 29

(Senate Bill 15)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 11 of Article 49B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1963 Supplement), title "Interracial Commission", sub-title "Discrimination in Public Accommodations"; AND TO ADD NEW SECTION 11A TO THE SAID ARTICLE AND SUB-TITLE OF THE CODE TO FOLLOW IMMEDIATELY AFTER SECTION 11 THEREOF; to repeal AND REENACT, WITH AMENDMENTS, Section 16 of said Article, sub-title "Enforcement Powers of Commission"; and to repeal Section 2 of Chapter 228 of the Acts of 1963, amending the laws concerning discrimination in certain forms of public accommodation in this State and also the laws concerning the enforcement powers of the Interracial Commission, in order to make these laws State wide in effect; and also to repeal present provisions for a referendum election on the effect of these laws in Carroll County. CLARIFYING THE APPLICATION OF THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS; AND CONTINUING THE EXEMPTION FROM THESE SUB-TITLES FOR DORCHESTER, KENT, QUEEN ANNE'S AND WORCESTER COUNTIES. AND PROHIBITING THE RECEIVING OF REMUNERATION BY PERSONS FOR PARTICIPATION IN RACIAL DEMONSTRATIONS AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS.; AND TO REPEAL SECTION 2 OF CHAPTER 227 OF THE ACTS OF 1963, AND SECTION 2 OF CHAPTER 228 OF THE ACTS OF 1963, REPEALING PRESENT PROVISIONS FOR A REFERENDUM ELECTION ON THE EFFECT OF THESE SUB-TITLES IN CARROLL COUNTY.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 11 of Article 49B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1963 Supplement), title "Interracial Commission", sub-title "Discrimination in Public Accommodations", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments; THAT NEW SECTION 11A BE AND IT IS HEREBY ADDED TO THE SAID ARTICLE AND SUB-TITLE OF THE CODE TO FOLLOW IMMEDIATELY AFTER SECTION 11 THEREOF; that Section 16 of said Article, sub-title "Enforcement Powers of Commission" and Section 2 of Chapter 228 of the Acts of 1963, be and they are hereby repealed, BE AND IT IS HEREBY REPEALED AND RE ENACTED, WITH AMENDMENTS, and all to read as follows:

11. It is unlawful for an owner or operator of a place of public accommodation or an agent or employee of said owner or operator, because of the race, creed, color, or national origin of any person, to refuse, withhold from, or deny to such person any of the accommodations, advantages. facilities and privileges of such place of public accommodation. NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHALL BE CONSTRUED OR INTERPRETED TO PROHIBIT THE PROPRIETOR OF ANY ESTABLISHMENT, OR THE EMPLOYEES THEREOF, FROM THE RIGHT TO DENY SERVICE TO ANY PERSON FOR FAILURE TO CONFORM TO THE USUAL AND REGULAR REQUIREMENTS, STANDARDS AND REGULATIONS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT SO LONG AS THE DENIAL IS NOT BASED UPON DISCRIMINATION ON THE GROUNDS OF