

## CHAPTER 636

(House Bill 85)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 26A of Article 16 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Replacement Volume), title "Chancery," subtitle "Divorce and Annulment," amending the laws concerning offers of reconciliation or attempts to reconcile as they relate to actions for divorce.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 26A of Article 16 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Replacement Volume), title "Chancery," subtitle "Divorce and Annulment," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

## 26A.

[In no action for divorce instituted in this State after June 1, 1965, shall an offer of reconciliation or an attempt to reconcile by one spouse without the concurrence of the other spouse be available as a defense to a divorce nor in and of itself be a bar to a divorce.] *The refusal of a spouse to accept an offer of reconciliation made by the other spouse or the rejection by a spouse of any attempt at reconciliation made by the other spouse shall neither be available as a defense to an action for divorce nor constitute a bar to or a ground for a divorce.* IN ALL ACTIONS FOR DIVORCE AN OFFER OF RECONCILIATION OR AN ATTEMPT TO RECONCILE BY ONE SPOUSE WITHOUT THE CONCURRENCE OF THE OTHER SPOUSE SHALL NOT BE AVAILABLE AS A DEFENSE TO A DIVORCE NOR IN AND OF ITSELF BE A BAR TO A DIVORCE; NOR SHALL THE REFUSAL OF A SPOUSE TO ACCEPT AN OFFER OF RECONCILIATION MADE BY THE OTHER SPOUSE OR THE REJECTION BY A SPOUSE OF ANY ATTEMPT AT RECONCILIATION MADE BY THE OTHER SPOUSE BE AVAILABLE AS A DEFENSE TO A DIVORCE NOR IN AND OF ITSELF BE A BAR TO OR A GROUND FOR A DIVORCE.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1968.

Approved May 7, 1968.

## CHAPTER 637

(House Bill 108)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Subsections (b), (d) and (h) of Section 59-50 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (1963 Edition, as amended, being also Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Prince George's County," subtitle "Park and Planning Commission," subheading "Serial Bonds Generally," and to repeal and reenact with amendments Subsections (b), (d) and (h) of Sec-