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(a) Except as to premiums on lawfully procured surplus insurance and premiums on independently procured insurance on which a tax has been paid pursuant to Section [211] 209 of this Article, every unauthorized insurer shall pay to the Commissioner before March 1 next succeeding the calendar year in which the insurance was so effectuated, continued or renewed a premium receipts tax of three percent (3%) of gross premiums charged for such insurance, other than wet marine and transportation insurance as defined in Section 70 (2) of this Article, on subjects resident, located or to be performed in this State. Such insurance on subjects resident, located or to be performed in this State procured through negotiations or an application, in whole or in part occurring or made within or from within or outside of this State, or for which premiums in whole or in part are remitted directly or indirectly from within or outside of this State, shall be deemed to be insurance procured or continued or renewed in this State. The term "premium" includes all premiums, membership fees, assessments, dues and any other consideration for insurance. Such tax shall be in lieu of all taxes and fire department dues. On default of any such unauthorized insurer in the payment of such tax the insured shall pay the tax. If the tax prescribed by this section is not paid within the time stated, the tax shall be increased by a penalty of twenty-five percent (25%) and by the amount of an additional penalty computed at the rate of one percent per month or any part thereof from the date such payment was due to the date paid. *The moneys paid into the Maryland State Treasury from time to time under this section shall be placed in a special fund for the purposes of the Maryland Insurance Development Fund.*

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect ~~July 1, 1969.~~ JUNE 1, 1969, BUT SHALL BE RETROACTIVE TO AUGUST 1, 1968 INSOFAR AS NECESSARY TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE URBAN PROPERTY PROTECTION AND REINSURANCE ACT OF 1968.

Approved May 2, 1969.

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CHAPTER 437

(Senate Bill 35)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 28 of Article 73B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1967 Replacement Volume), title "Pensions," subtitle "Employees of Municipal Corporations," to establish a moratorium of one year beginning July 1, 1969, during which municipal corporations and other corporate bodies or associations participating in the State Employees' Retirement System shall be prohibited from withdrawing in whole or in part from said system, WITH THE MORATORIUM NOT APPLICABLE, HOWEVER, TO SUPPLEMENTAL INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP WITHDRAWALS OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES TO A LOCAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM WHICH WAS ESTABLISHED AND UNDER WHICH INITIAL TRANSFERS WERE MADE PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 1969.