

	<u>Basis</u>	<u>Levy</u>
1969-1970 Year	\$17,050,000,000	\$34,100,000
1970-1971 Year	\$18,093,000,000	\$36,186,000
1971-1972 Year	\$19,263,000,000	\$38,526,000

The rate is determined annually by the Board of Public Works and the actual rate for the 1970-1971 Year will be set by it by May 1, 1970 according to the State Debt requirements for that year and likewise for the 1971-1972 Year by May 1, 1971.

The present estimates of this revenue are therefore tentatively based on the 1968-1969 rate of 20¢ per \$100 until the actual rates are set.

Franchise Taxes, Excises, Departmental Revenues

Revenues from Franchise Taxes, Excises, and Departmental Sources are expected to follow in general their consistent previous patterns of growth.

We have had only one year's experience with the new Franchise Tax on Net Earnings of Financial Institutions. This tax yielded \$5,381,000 in the Fiscal Year 1969, its first year, and is now estimated to increase to \$5,760,000 in Fiscal 1970 and to \$6,220,000 in Fiscal Year 1971. However, more actual collections experience is needed to determine what trend this revenue will actually take.

Receipts from Death Taxes are being boosted in the Fiscal Year 1970 by a single supplementary payment of over \$1,000,000 from one estate from which several large payments have been received in previous years.

The future of Horse Racing has been made somewhat uncertain by the advent this year of racing in Pennsylvania. This could draw Pennsylvania and New York patrons away from Maryland Race Tracks.

The initial receipts this year from the new 4% General Fund Tax on Admissions indicate that this revenue will amount to about \$4,300,000 annually.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill No. 2—

VACANT.

Senate Bill No. 3—By the President:

An Act to add new Section 12 to Article 49 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition, 1968 Replacement Volume, 1969 Supplement), title "Interest and Usury," said section to follow immediately after Section 11 thereof, exempting under certain circumstances, secured loans insured or guaranteed by the Federal Housing Administration, Veterans Administration or any other agency or instrumentality of the Federal Government, from certain of the interest and usury provisions of the laws of Maryland; defining the allowable rate of interest and other charges in connection with such loans; and relating generally to mortgage loans and real estate transactions in this State.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.