SEC. 7. And be it further enacted, That IF the provisions that are set forth in Sections 1, 2 or 4 of this bill or any combination thereof less than both ALL THREE provisions, are declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, that determination shall not affect the validity of any other provision of this bill, and that if the provisions set forth in Section 1, 2, and 4 are all declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, that determination shall not affect the validity of the provisions set forth in Sections 3, 5, and 6 of this bill.

SEC. 8. And be it further enacted, That the foregoing sections hereby proposed as amendments to the Constitution of Maryland, in Section 3 of this Act, at the next ensuing general election to be held in this State, shall be submitted to the legal and qualified voters thereof for their adoption or rejection in pursuance of directions contained in Article 14 of the Constitution of this State, and at the said general election, the vote on the said proposed amendments to the Constitution shall be by ballot, and upon each ballot there shall be printed the words "For the Constitutional Amendments" and "Against the Constitutional Amendments" as now provided by law, and immediately after said election, all returns shall be made to the Governor of the vote for and against said proposed amendments, as directed by said Article 14 of the Constitution, and further proceedings had in accordance with said Article 14.

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CHAPTER 577 (House Bill 92)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Sections 88(a) and 88(b) of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1967 Replacement Volume), title and subtitle "Crimes and Punishments," subheading "Desertion of Wife or Child," and to add a new Section 88(c) thereto, to follow immediately after Section 88(d) thereof, to provide that any non-support order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction in the State shall be a lien on defendant's salary EXCEPT SALARIES OF STATE AND BALTIMORE CITY EMPLOYEES upon notification to the employer by the Probation Department, and providing further that it shall be a misdemeanor for any business, company, or other institution to discharge or fail to hire said defendant because of such support decree.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Sections 88(a) and 88(b) of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1967 Replacement Volume), title and subtitle "Crimes and Punishments," subheading "Desertion of Wife or Child," be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments; and that new Section 88(e) be and it is hereby added thereto, to follow immediately after Section 88(d) thereof, and all to read as follows: