

CHAPTER 539

(House Bill 487)

AN ACT to add new Section 59A-1 to Article 41 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (~~1965 Replacement Volume~~) (1971 REPLACEMENT VOLUME), title "Governor—Executive and Administrative Departments," subtitle "1. The Executive Department," subheading "Governor," to follow immediately after Section 59A thereof, to provide a cash benefit to the surviving family of a law enforcement officer who is killed in the line of duty.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That new Section 59A-1 be and it is hereby added to Article 41 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (~~1965 Replacement Volume~~) (1971 REPLACEMENT VOLUME), title "Governor—Executive and Administrative Departments," subtitle "1. The Executive Department," subheading "Governor," to follow immediately after Section 59A thereof, and to read as follows:

59A-1.

(a) *The sum of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) THE SUM OF FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$15,000.00) LESS ANY LUMP SUM DEATH BENEFIT, EXCLUSIVE OF ANY RETURN OF CONTRIBUTIONS, PAYABLE BY THE STATE OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION. THIS SUM SHALL BE ADDITIONAL TO ANY BENEFIT UNDER WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION shall be paid to the surviving spouse or children of any law enforcement officer of the State or of any political subdivision of the State who is killed in the performance of his duties. THIS SUM SHALL BE IN ADDITION TO ANY WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BENEFITS.*

(b) *The payments hereinabove provided for shall be made out of funds which the Governor may appropriate for that purpose in the State budget.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1971.

Approved May 17, 1971.

CHAPTER 540

(House Bill 504)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, subsections (a) and (m) of Section 251A of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume), title "Crimes and Punishments," subtitle "I. Crimes and Punishments," subheading "Gaming," ~~to permit the operation of bingo games by certain golf or country clubs in Worcester County~~ and to provide that the provisions relating to bingo in Worcester County shall apply county-wide.