

CHAPTER 550

(House Bill 784)

AN ACT to add new Section 9 (57B) to Article 81 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume), title "Revenue and Taxes," subtitle "What Shall Be Taxed and Where," to follow immediately after Section 9 (57A) thereof, to authorize the County Commissioners of Charles County to provide a tax exemption for purposes of county taxation in that county for real property held by certain non-profit community or civic improvement associations or corporations AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE USE OF THE PROPERTY SUBJECT TO EXEMPTION.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That new Section 9 (57B) be and it is hereby added to Article 81 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume), title "Revenue and Taxes," subtitle "What Shall Be Taxed and Where," to follow immediately after Section 9 (57A) thereof, and to read as follows:

9.

(57B) For the purposes of county taxation in Charles County and in the discretion of the Board of County Commissioners of Charles County, real property, the title to which is held by a non-profit community or civic improvement association or corporation and which is devoted to and used exclusively for community, civic, educational, recreational, or library purposes, and the use of the property must not be contingent upon the payment of any fee or other compensation, AND FAILURE TO PAY ANY SUCH FEE OR OTHER COMPENSATION IS NOT A REASON TO DENY ADMISSION TO OR USE OF THIS PROPERTY. Assessments exacted and employed by the association or corporation solely for the improvement or maintenance of the property do not constitute a "fee or other compensation" under the provisions of this subsection.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1972.

Approved May 26, 1972.

CHAPTER 551

(House Bill 790)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 31 of Article 77 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume and 1971 Supplement), title "Public Education," subtitle "Chapter 3. State Superintendent of Schools," and to repeal in its entirety Chapter 675 of the Acts of 1969, that Chapter relating to the crediting of years of service for certain educational personnel who take jobs in the State Department of Education; and generally relating thereto, to take a presently uncodified law, passed at the same Session of the General Assembly when Article 77 was re-codified and still part of the Laws of Maryland, and to integrate