SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 128(c) of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume), title "Health," subtitle "Practitioners of Medicine" be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

128(c).

The Board shall provide for reregistration not less than every second year. The Board may establish mandatory continuing education requirements for physicians licensed in this State as a condition to their being reregistered in accordance with this section. In establishing such requirements, the Board shall recognize and give weight to existing educational methods, procedures, devices and programs in use among the various medical specialities and other recognized medical groups. The Board shall not establish or enforce such requirements if they will reduce the availability of physicians in a community to an extent that adequate medical care is jeopardized.

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

Approved April 26, 1972.

## CHAPTER 136

(House Bill 369)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 555 of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume), title "Crimes and Punishments," subtitle "Crimes and Punishments," subheading "Taxicabs," adding Allegany County to the law applicable to other counties, making it unlawful to refuse to pay taxicab fare.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 555 of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume), title "Crimes and Punishments," subtitle "Crimes and Punishments," subtitle "Crimes and Punishments," subheading "Taxicabs," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

555.

Any person who engages and accepts transportation in a public taxicab or other vehicle operated as a common carrier, under any conditions whereby the charge therefor is not paid in advance, and who wilfully refuses to pay the proper charges at the conclusion of such transportation, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of not more than fifty dollars for each such offense. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent the owner or operator of any such common carrier from making a special agreement with the person who engaged and accepted transportation, for the subsequent payment of