

COMPLIED WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1973.

Approved May 24, 1973.

CHAPTER 718

(Senate Bill 857)

AN ACT to add new Sections 534N and 534-O to Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1972 Supplement), title "Crimes and Punishments," subtitle "Crimes and Punishments," subheading "Sabbath Breaking," to follow immediately after Section 534M thereof, limiting work or labor or the selling of merchandise or articles or operation of specified places on certain days in Frederick County; excepting certain persons in Frederick County, observing a day other than Sunday as a day of rest and recreation; further regulating business in Frederick County, regarding the work week; and providing injunctive relief and penalties for violations.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That new Sections 534N and 534-O be and they are hereby added to Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1972 Supplement), title "Crimes and Punishments," subtitle "Crimes and Punishments," subheading "Sabbath Breaking," to follow immediately after Section 534M thereof, and to read as follows:

534N.

NOTHING CONTAINED IN SECTIONS 492, 521 AND 522 OF THIS ARTICLE, AS AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME, SHALL BE APPLICABLE WITHIN FREDERICK COUNTY.

534-O.

(A) IN FREDERICK COUNTY, EXCEPT AS SPECIFICALLY IN THIS SECTION OTHERWISE PROVIDED, IT IS UNLAWFUL ON SUNDAY FOR ANY WHOLESALE OR RETAIL ESTABLISHMENT TO CONDUCT BUSINESS FOR LABOR OR PROFIT IN THE USUAL MANNER AND LOCATION OR TO OPERATE ITS ESTABLISHMENT IN ANY MANNER FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC. IT SHALL NOT CAUSE, DIRECT, PERMIT OR AUTHORIZE ANY EMPLOYEE OR AGENT TO ENGAGE IN OR CONDUCT BUSINESS ON ITS BEHALF ON SUNDAY.

(B) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF THIS SECTION, THE OPERATION OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING TYPES OF RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS IS ALLOWED ON SUNDAY:

(1) DRUG STORES WHOSE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS IS THE SALE OF DRUGS, HEALTH, HYGIENIC, BEAUTY AIDS, AND RELATED ITEMS.

(2) DELICATESSENS WHOSE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS IS THE SALE OF DELICATESSENS AND RELATED FOOD ITEMS.