

requires the recurring service of commercial laundering or cleaning for the textiles.

326.

The tax hereby levied does not apply to the following sales:

(bb) [The sale of or charges for telephone, telegraph, or other telecommunication messages or service; provided that this exemption shall automatically terminate, without further action by the General Assembly, and such sales or charges shall become taxable under this subtitle, to be collected upon original statements and billings made on or after the effective date of federal legislation reducing or eliminating the rate of federal excise tax upon such sales or charges, to one percent or less.] CHARGES FOR COMMUNICATION SERVICES MADE BY A PERSON WHOSE CHARGES FOR ANY COMMUNICATION SERVICES ARE, OR, AS OF JULY 1, 1979, WERE, OR WOULD HAVE BEEN, SUBJECT TO THE FEDERAL EXCISE TAX IMPOSED BY SECTION 4251 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1954.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1979.

Approved May 29, 1979.

CHAPTER 427

(Senate Bill 115)

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt - Renovation of
Lyric Theater

FOR the purpose of amending a certain section of Chapter 351 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1974, as amended by Chapter 602 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1976 and Chapter 912 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1978, to remove the provision that the payment of any funds under the provisions of the former Act, as amended, shall ~~become~~ be available contingent upon the provision by Baltimore City of funds; altering the amount of the original State loan; extending for a certain period the time by which the Lyric Foundation, Inc., or its successor in interest must present evidence of the raising of certain funds; and providing that certain grants shall be considered as part of these funds.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,