37.

To prohibit, or permit and regulate, from time to time by ordinance, amusements, entertainments or games to be held, shown or played for recreation or profit[, and the sale at retail of any article of merchandise] within Baltimore City on Sunday; provided that no ordinance passed in the exercise of this power shall become effective until it has been submitted to and approved by the voters of Baltimore City at such general, municipal or special election as may be provided in such ordinance. At any such election the general election laws of the State [shall be] ARE applicable and the City is authorized to make use of the facilities and equipment of the Board of Supervisors of Election of Baltimore City. [Sections 560, 571, 575 and 576 of] Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland [(Flack's Edition of 1939)] (1957 EDITION), title "Crimes and Punishments", subtitle "Sabbath Breaking", [shall] DOES not apply to Baltimore City [and shall be repealed in so far as such sections prohibit amusements, entertainments or games and the sale at retail of merchandise in Baltimore City on Sunday] EXCEPT FOR §§ 534L, 534L-1, AND 534L-2.

SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the provisions of this Act are preemptive and repeal inconsistent provisions of any ordinance or resolution of Baltimore City which regulate wholesale and retail sales on Sunday.

SECTION 8. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1980.

Approved May 27, 1980.

## CHAPTER 865

(House Bill 1410)

AN ACT concerning

Gross Receipts Tax - Railroads - Rate Elimination

FOR the purpose of altering-the-rate--ef eliminating the gross receipts tax on railroads; deleting the reference to railroads in the provisions for subtracting of certain operating revenue from taxable income of corporations; generally revising the provisions relating to the gross receipts tax; providing for the effective dates of changes in railroad taxation; and clarifying language.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,