SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Commercial Law

15-601.1.

- (b) The following are exempt from attachment:
- (1) -f-Except as provided in item (2) of this subsection, the- $\frac{1}{2}$ THE greater of:
- (i) The product of [\$120] \$160 \$130 were earned; or
 - (ii) 75 percent of the disposable wages due;
- -f-(2) In Caroline, Kent, Queen Anne's, and Worcester counties, for each work week, the greater of:
 - (i) 75 percent of the disposable wages due; or
- (ii) 30 times the federal minimum hourly wages under the Fair Labor Standards Act in effect at the time the wages are due;-}- and
- -f-(3)-f--(2) Any medical insurance payment deducted from an employee's wages by the employer.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1988.

Approved May 27, 1988.

CHAPTER 601

(Senate Bill 576)

AN ACT concerning

Criminal-Interference-with-Religion--Religious and Ethnic Crimes

FOR the purpose of making it a crime to deface, damage, or destroy or attempt to deface, damage, or destroy religious real or personal property under certain circumstances; making it a crime to obstruct, or attempt to obstruct by force or threat of force, a person in the free exercise of