SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2001.

Approved May 18, 2001.

CHAPTER 578

(Senate Bill 129)

AN ACT concerning

Education - Teachers - Aid for Certification Program

FOR the purpose of increasing to a certain amount the maximum number of teachers eligible to participate in the State and Local Aid Program for Certification by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Education

Section 6-112(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

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

Article - Education

6-112.

(b) Each school year, the State Board shall select, consistent with the amount provided in the State budget for the Program, a maximum of [300 teachers] 1,000 500 TEACHERS to participate in the Program.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2001.

Approved May 18, 2001.

CHAPTER 579

(Senate Bill 131)

AN ACT concerning

Commercial Law Dishonored and Bad Checks - Collection Fee

FOR the purpose of increasing the maximum amount of the collection fee for which the maker or drawer of a dishonored check or other instrument may shall be