CHAPTER 21.

AN ACT authorizing the Governor to declare successive legal holidays, during the period of the present war, whenever he deems that the public interests so require, and declaring the effect thereof.

WHEREAS, It is possible that exigencies or emergencies incident to the present war may make it necessary or desirable that successive legal holidays be declared throughout the State of Maryland, or in one or more counties, cities, towns or villages thereof; therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the Governor of this State is hereby authorized, during the period of the present war, whenever he deems that the public interests so require, to declare, by proclamation to that effect, successive legal holidays throughout the State, or in any one or more counties, cities, towns or villages thereof, such successive legal holidays to extend over such period of time as the exigency or emergency calling for the same shall, in the judgment of the Governor, require.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That such days so proclaimed shall, in the locality or localities in which the same are proclaimed, be legal holidays, and shall be duly observed therein as such, and shall for all purposes whatsoever as regards the presenting for payment or acceptance and the protesting and giving notice of dishonor of bills of exchange, bank checks, drafts and promissory notes, be treated and considered as the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday, and all such bills, drafts, checks and notes presentable for payment or acceptance on such days, or any of them, shall be deemed presentable on the secular or business day following the last day so named in such proclamation.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public safety, and being passed upon a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

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CHAPTER 22.

AN ACT providing for the suspension or stay, during the continuance of the present war, of civil proceedings, at law or in equity, instituted by or against persons in the National Guard or Naval Militia or in the National State Guard while on active service, or in the military or naval service of the United States, and prescribing the manner, duration, terms and extent of application of such suspension or stay.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That all civil causes or proceedings, whether at law or in equity, which may be pending at the time this Act takes effect, or which may hereafter be instituted during the continuance of the present war, by or against any person in the National Guard or Naval Militia or in the Maryland State Guard while on active service, or in the military or naval service of the United States, shall be suspended and stayed, upon the application of such person, or his representative or attorney, provided:

a. The court to which such application is made shall find that such person is unable to prosecute, answer or defend such cause or proceedings or to be present at the hearing or trial thereof, by reason of his service as aforesaid, and that the interests of justice require such suspension or stay; and provided, further, that:

b. Such person, or his representative or attorney, shall comply with such conditions, as to the giving of bond or other security or undertaking, or as to the making of any deposit, or as to any other matters or things, which the said court may deem proper to impose as conditions of such suspension or stay.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That any suspension or stay granted under the terms of this Act may be for such period of time as the court granting the same shall deem proper, but in no event for a period longer than the duration of the present war and six months thereafter; and upon the termination of any period so fixed by the court, such suspension or stay, if not continued or renewed, shall cease, and thereafter the cause or proceedings so suspended may proceed as if there had been no suspension or stay therein, but subject, however, to any reasonable conditions which the court may deem proper to impose in the interests of justice.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the court in which any cause or proceedings may be thus suspended or stayed, shall have the power, in its discretion, to rescind such suspension or stay at any time that said court deems that the interests of justice would be thereby subserved, such recission to be upon such conditions, to date from the expiration of such time and to be predicted upon such notice, by service upon each person interested, or his attorney or representative, or by publication, as the court may deem proper; and thereafter such cause or proceeding may proceed as if there had been no suspension or stay therein, but subject, however, to any conditions which the court may impose as incident to such recission.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That no cause or proceedings shall be suspended or stayed under the terms of this Act, except as to any person or persons entitled as aforesaid to the benefits of this Act, unless the court deems that the same is necessary for the proper protection of the interests of any such person or persons so entitled to the benefits of this Act.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall not apply to proceedings pending or hereafter instituted for:

a. The recovery of rent.

b. The recovery of wages or salary.

c. Moneys due in any trust or fiduciary capacity.

Nor shall this Act apply to any case in which the court believes that any person within the terms of this Act has become engaged in any of the services mentioned in Section 1, because of the pendency or institution of the cause or proceedings sought to be suspended or stayed.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public safety, and being passed upon a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

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CHAPTER 23.

AN ACT to provide for the suspension or stay, during the continuance of the present war, of any judgment, order or decree, levy, right of entry or foreclosure, lien, power of sale, forfeiture or default, on application by or on behalf of persons against whom or against whose property interests the same may be executed or enforced, and who are unable, by reason of military or naval service, to make payment or satisfaction thereof; and prescribing the manner, duration, terms and extent of application of such suspension or stay.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the execution or enforcement of any judgment, order or decree of any kind, whether in law or in equity, and whether in personam or in rem, and of any levy, right of entry or foreclosure, lien, power of sale, forfeiture or default which may hereafter be entered or rendered or which may exist or arise during the continuance of the present war, may be suspended or staid, upon application by or on behalf of any person against whom or against whose legal or equitable interest in any property, real or personal, the same may be executed or enforced, provided the court to which said application is made shall find that such person so liable or interested is unable, by reason of military or naval service, to make whatever payment or satisfaction may be necessary in order to satisfy, release or discharge such judgment, order or decree, or other power of right as aforesaid.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted* That any suspension or stay granted under the terms of this Act may be for such period of time as the court granting the same shall deem proper, but in no event for a period longer than duration of the present war, and six months thereafter; and shall be upon such conditions, as to the giving of bond or other security or undertaking, or as to the making of any deposit, or as to any other matters or things, which the said court may deem proper to impose as conditions of such suspension or stay.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the court in which any suspension or stay may be thus granted, shall have the power, in its discretion, to rescind such suspension or stay at any time that said court deems that the interests of justice would be thereby subserved, such recission to be upon such conditions, to date from the expiration of such time and to be predicated upon such notice, by service upon each person interested, or his attorney or representative, or by publication, as the court may deem proper; and thereafter such judgment, order or decree, or such power of right as aforesaid, may be executed or enforced as if the same had not been suspended or staid, but subject, however, to any conditions which the court may impose as incident to such recission.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That upon the termination of the period of any suspension or stay granted hereunder, such suspension or stay, if not continued or renewed, shall cease, and thereafter such judgment, order or decree, or such other power or right as aforesaid, may be executed or enforced as if the same had not been suspended or staid, but subject, however, to any reasonable conditions which the court may deem proper to impose in the interests of justice.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That no judgment, order or decree, and no right or power as aforesaid, shall be suspended or staid under the terms of this Act, except as to any person or persons entitled as aforesaid to the benefits of this Act, unless the court deems that the same is necessary for the proper protection of the interests of any such person or persons so entitled to the benefits of this Act.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall not apply to any judgment, order or decree, or to any right or power as aforesaid, for:

a. The recovery of rent.

b. The recovery of wages or salary.

c. Moneys due in any trust or fiduciary capacity.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public safety, and being passed upon a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

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CHAPTER 25.

AN ACT to authorize volunteer fire companies and associations, subject to the approval of the Governor and the Adjutant General of the State, to constitute themselves County Guards of the county in which they may be serving; to provide rules and regulations governing the duties of such County Guards, and subjecting such Guards to the militia laws of the State.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That all volunteer fire companies or associations, whether incorporated or not, of the State or any of the political sub-divisions thereof, are hereby authorized, subject to the approval of the Governor and the Adjutant General of the State, to constitute themselves County Guards of the county in which they may be serving as fire companies.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Adjutant General, with the approval of the Governor, shall prescribe such rules and regulations governing the duties and service of such County Guards as he may deem necessary, and such rules and regulations, when promulgated, shall have the effect of law. County Guards, when approved as such, shall become subject to the militia laws of the State.

SEC. 3.. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public safety, and being passed upon a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved June 27th, 1917.

CHAPTER 40.

AN ACT to add two additional sections to Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, title "Elections," sub-title "Registration," said additional sections to follow immediately after Section 30 of said Article and sub-title, and to be numbered, respectively, Sections 30A and 30B; said Section 30A providing that the name of any voter upon the registration books shall not be stricken therefrom during his absence in the military or naval service of the United States, and said Section 30B providing for the entry, when new general registrations are held, of the names of duly registered voters, absent as above mentioned, upon the registration books.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That two additional sections be and the same hereby are added to Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, title "Elections," sub-title "Registration," said additional sections to follow immediately after Section 30 of said Article and sub-title, to be numbered, respectively, 30A and 30B, and to read as follows:

30A. The name of no voter upon the registration books of any precinct, ward or election district of this State shall be stricken therefrom during his absence in the military or naval service of the United States.

30B. Whenever any new general registration is held in any of the counties or Baltimore City, it shall be the duty of the several Boards of Registry to ascertain from every possible source the names of duly registered voters of this State absent in the military or naval service of the United States. The names of such persons shall be entered upon the new registration books by the several Boards of Registry with the same entries appearing upon the registration books as last prepared or revised. In the space where the voter is required to sign his name, the Board of Registry shall write the words "Re-entered During Military Service," with the date of such re-entry. The several Boards of Supervisors of Elections shall furnish to the several Boards of Registry the registration books as last prepared or revised for their precincts, wards or election districts, for the purpose of making such re-entries and such registration books shall be returned to the Boards of Supervisors of Elections with the new books after the new registration is completed.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public safety, and being passed upon a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved June 28th, 1917.

CHAPTER 32.

AN ACT to provide for the examination and licensing by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles of persons between the ages of sixteen (16) and eighteen (18) applying for a license to operate, drive or direct automobiles, motor-trucks, taxi-cabs or motor-cars.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles is hereby authorized and empowered to grant licenses to operate, drive or direct any automobile, motor-car, taxi-cab or motor-truck propelled by gas, gasoline, steam or electricity upon any road, highway, street, lane or other public way within the State of Maryland, to persons between the ages of sixteen (16) and eighteen (18) years, who shall make application therefor upon blanks furnished by said Commissioner. The Commissioner shall make an examination of the qualifications of the said persons between the ages of sixteen (16) and eighteen (18) years applying for such license, and may refuse to issue the same if, in his judgment, the safety of the public would be jeopardized thereby, and said applicant shall not have the right of appeal if license is refused. Each person between the ages of sixteen (16) and (18) applying for a license as herein provided shall be required to pay to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles an applicant's fee of one ($1.00) dollar. All fees received from such source shall be paid by said Commissioner of Motor Vehicles into the State Treasury as are other funds received by him.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That said applicant shall pay such other fees and shall be subject to such penalties as are prescribed by the motor vehicle laws of the State.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of public safety, and being passed upon by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

SEC. 4. Provided this Act shall not be effective for a period longer than the duration of the present war and six months thereafter.

Approved June 27th, 1917.

CHAPTER 33.

AN ACT providing for the assignment of able-bodied male persons, between the ages of 18 and 50 years, inclusive, not regularly and continuously employed, to work in occupations carried on by the State, the Counties or the City of Baltimore or by private employers, whenever, because of a state of war, the Governor determines such assignments to be necessary for the protection and welfare of the State, and finds such occupations essential for the protection and welfare of the State and the United States, and that the same cannot be carried on as the protection and welfare of the people of this State and of the United States require without resort to this Act, no person to be assigned to any work he is not physically able to do; and providing the procedure and the means and for rules and regulations for carrying this Act into effect, and for compensation to persons so assigned to work, for the period of such assignments, and penalties for non-compliance with the Act.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That whenever, because of the existence of a state of war, the Governor determines that it is necessary, for the protection and welfare of the people of the State, that all able-bodied male persons between the ages hereinafter mentioned, be employed in occupations carried on by the State, the Counties or the City of Baltimore, or any of their agencies, or be employed in occupations carried on by private persons, firms or corporations, whether agricultural, industrial or otherwise, and which occupations, whether carried on by the State, the Counties, the City of Baltimore, or by private employers, the Governor finds to be essential for the protection and welfare of the people of the State and the United States, and also finds that the same cannot be carried on as the protection and welfare of the people of this State and of the United States require without resort to this Act, then the Governor shall be authorized, by proclamation, to require every able-bodied male person btween 18 and 50 years of age, inclusive, within the State, not then or thereafter regularly or continuously employed or engaged in any lawful and useful business, occupation, trade or profession of any kind, to register forthwith his name, address, age and any other information which the Governor shall require, with the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the county in which such person may be, or with the Clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore City, if such person be in Baltimore City. It shall be the duty of said clerk, from time to time, upon request of the Governor, to furnish him lists of the names, addresses, age and such other information aforesaid as may have been obtained and registered. The Governor shall thereupon assign, or cause to be assigned, and, if necessary, reassign or cause to be reassigned, such persons to occupations as aforesaid, carried on by the State, the Counties or the City of Baltimore, or to private employers engaged in occupations of the character above mentioned, and who accept the services of such persons, for a period which shall not in the case of any person exceed six continuous months at any one time. Persons so assigned must in every case be physically able to perform the work to which they are assigned. As soon as the proclamation has been issued, as herein provided, it shall be the duty of the Governor to prepare and publish such rules and regulations governing the assignment of persons to work under this Act as will assure that all persons similarly circumstanced shall, as far as it is possible to do so, be treated alike. In fixing the period of work to which anyone is assigned, and in determining its nature, the Governor shall take into consideration the age, physical condition and any other appropriate circumstances of the person assigned. The rules and regulations adopted under the provisions of this Act shall make allowances for such facts and circumstances. Any such person failing or refusing to do or to continue to do the work assigned to him, and who, in the meanwhile, has not become regularly or continuously employed in some business, occupation, trade or profession, shall, upon conviction before any Justice of the Peace having criminal jurisdiction, be fined not more than five hundred dollars ($500.00), or be imprisoned not more than six months, or be both fined and imprisoned, in the discretion of the Court of Justice.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That all persons able to support themselves by reason of ownership of property or income and those supported by others, shall be included among those required to register under this Act. All students and all persons fitting themselves to engage in trade or industrial pursuits shall not be included within the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That after the issuance of the proclamation hereinbefore provided for, it shall be the duty of the Sheriffs of the respective counties and of the Police Department of Baltimore City, and of any other officer, State, county or municipal, charged with enforcing the law, to seek and to continue to seek diligently the names and places of residence of able-bodied male persons within their respective jurisdictions, between the ages aforesaid, not regularly or continuously employed as aforesaid, who have failed to register as aforesaid, and to obtain warrants for their arrest from any Justice of the Peace having criminal jurisdiction. Failure of such persons to register shall be a misdemeanor and shall be punishable by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars ($50.00). The names of all those convicted before any Justice of the Peace of failing to register, together with all other information as aforesaid, shall be sent by the Justices of the Peace to the Clerks of the Circuit Courts of the Counties or the Clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore City, as the case may be. The said Clerks shall register as aforesaid all persons convicted of failing to register, and report such registrations to the Governor as hereinbefore provided. The Governor shall thereupon assign such persons to work as provided in Section 1.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That all persons required to work under this Act shall receive compensation not less than the wage or salary paid to others engaged in the same nature of work to which each such person is assigned. If any such person is assigned to work for any department, board or commission of the State, then the compensation of such person shall be paid him by such department, board or commission out of the appropriation made to it by the State. If any such person is assigned to work for any county or for the City of Baltimore, or for any private employer, then the compensation of such person shall be paid to him by such county or the City of Baltimore or by the private employer accepting his services. Any such private employer shall be required to execute a bond to the State, in such penalty and with such surety as the Governor may approve, conditioned to guarantee the payment of such compensation as the same falls due. If any such private employer fails to pay to any such person the compensation so due him, then the same shall be paid by the State, out of any moneys in the Treasury available therefor and not otherwise appropriated, or out of any moneys appropriated therefor; in the latter event, such payments to be made on the order of the Executive Committee of the Maryland Council of Defense, by and with the sanction and approval of the Governor, the same to be directed to the Comptroller, who shall draw his warrant upon the Treasurer for the amount thereof as in law provided. In the event of such payment by the State, the said bond of such employer shall be in default, and shall be put in suit by the State. No person shall be required to work under this Act any greater number of hours per day than lawfully constitutes a day's work in the occupation in which such person is required to engage.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the Governor is authorized to appoint or employ such assistants as may be necessary, and to use such agencies as may be available and appropriate, to aid him in carrying out the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 5A. *And be it further enacted*, That the provisions of this Act shall not apply to persons temporarily unemployed by reasons of differences with their employers.

5B. *And be it further enacted*, That nothing in this Act shall apply to any person engaged or employed in any seasonal business, trade or occupation carried on in Baltimore City, or Allegany County.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declard to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public safety, and being passed upon a yea and nay vote of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

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CHAPTER 36.

AN ACT to add nine (9) new sections to Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, title "Health," sub-title "Nuisances," the same to follow immediately after Section 106 of said Article, to be known as Sections 106A, 106B, 106C, 106D, 106E, 106F, 106G, 106H and 106I, the same defining and providing for the summary abatement of nuisances dangerous to the public health, and directing their abatement by the State Board of Health; authorizing suits in the name of the State Board of Health against the owner, occupier, or tenant of property where such nuisance exists for the cost of such abatement, and making such judgments a lien on such property; providing for the collection of such judgments as taxes are collected, and making it a misdemeanor for anyone to disobey orders of the State Board of Health, made in connection therewith, or interfering with the abatement of the same.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That nine new sections be added and the same are added to Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, title "Health," subtitle "Nuisances," the same to follow immediately after Section 106 of said Article, to be known as Sections 106A, 106B, 106C, 106D, 106E, 106F, 106G, 106H, and 106I, and to read as follows:

106A. Whenever the State Board of Health, its officers or agents, upon investigation, shall find that the contents from any surface privy, privy-pit, water-closet, or cesspool overflows or leaks from said surface privy, privy-pit, water-closet, or cesspool, or shall find any surface privy, privy-pit, water-closet, or cesspool on any premises in this State, which is not fly-tight, and shall also find on said premises the disease of cholera, typhoid or typhus fever, hookworm, dysentery or parasitic disease of the bowels, then such premises, surface privy, privy-pit, water-closet or cesspool, as the case may be, shall be deemed in a state of nuisance and liable to summary abatement by the State Board of Health.

106B. Before proceeding to the summary abatement of any nuisance as described in Section 106A, the State Board of Health, its officers and agents, shall cause to be served an order on the owner of the premises, where such nuisance exists, or if such owner cannot be found, then on the occupant or tenant, or if the premises be unoccupied and the owner cannot be found, then said order to be attached to the property, requiring the abatement of said nuisance within not less than twenty-four hours nor more than five days from the date and hour of the service of said order, and in such order the State Board of Health, its officers and agents, shall set forth that work, materials and things shall be necessary to abate such nuisance

106C. If the said nuisance is not abated, or if it is only partially abated, in accordance with the order of the State Board of Health, its officers or agents, within the time specified in said notice, then the State Board of Health, its officers and agents, are authorized and directed to enter upon such premises in this State and abate the nuisance at the cost and expense of the owner, occupier or tenant of the premises; and they shall have power to do such work, and to use such materials and things as may be necessary to effectually abate the same; provided, however, that in each and every case, the cost of abating such nuisance shall not exceed the sum of fifty dollars.

106D. If the cost and expense of abating any such nuisance is not paid to the State Board of Health by the person liable therefor within sixty days (60) after the abatement thereof, then the State Board of Health shall file a suit, in its name, before a Justice of the Peace in the County where the nuisance was abated, or before the People's Court of Baltimore City, as the case may be, against the owner, occupier or tenant of the property and premises where said nuisance existed, and said Court shall have authority to proceed to judgment, either upon trial had after service of the writ, or ex parte, after the return of two non ests, as the case may be.

106E. After final judgment in favor of the State Board of Health, it shall file a certified copy of the same with the County Commissioners in the County where such judgment is obtained, or with the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City, as the case may be, which judgment shall be a lien upon the property of the defendant, to be collected by the said County Commissioners, or the said Mayor and City Council, as the case may be, in the same way as taxes on real property are now collected; the said lien to bear interest at the rate of six per centum from the date of judgment and to include the costs of the trial, and it shall not be subject to discount or abatement of any kind, nor shall said Commissioners or the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City so collecting the same be entitled to make any charge for such collection.

106F. The County Commissioners of any County of the State, or the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, as the case may be, shall pay over to the State Board of Health all judgments, cost and interest which they may collect by virtue of the powers conferred by this Act, and the State Board of Health of Maryland, upon payment to it of any judgment, interest and costs shall pay said costs to the Justice of the Peace or other Court of Record, as the case may be, and such judgment, interest and costs shall be entered "satisfied."

106G. All judgments and interest on the same paid to the State Board of Health by virtue of this Act, shall be paid to the State Treasurer for the use of the State.

106H. Any owner of property, or any occupant of property, when the owner cannot be found, upon whom any order of the State Board of Health shall be served by virtue of the powers, conferred under this Act, who shall fail or neglect to abate the nuisance in the manner and within the time required by the order of the State Board of Health, shall in addition to the other obligation imposed upon him hereunder, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not less than five dollars nor more than fifty dollars for such offense.

106I. Any person who shall interfere with the State Board of Health, its officers and agents, in the abatement of any nuisance, as provided for in this Act, or shall in any manner attempt to prevent said Board, its officers or agents, from doing any work necessary for the abatement of said nuisance, or shall refuse entrance to any premises by the State Board of Health, its officers or agents, shall, in addition to any other obligation imposed upon him hereunder, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not less than five dollars, nor more than one hundred dollars, or be subject to imprisonment for not more than fifty days, or both, in the discretion of the Court.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That all Acts and parts of Acts inconsistent with this Act be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is an emergency law necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, and being passed upon a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each branch of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

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