

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That new Section 371A be and it is hereby added to Article 27 of this Code (1971 Replacement Volume), title "Crimes and Punishments," subtitle "Crimes and Punishments," subheading "Lotteries," to follow immediately after Section 371 thereof, and to read as follows:

*Article 27*

371A.

*The provisions of this subheading relating to lotteries shall not apply to the State lottery system established in Article 88D of this Code.*

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect contingent upon the adoption of an amendment to Section 36 of Article III of the Constitution of Maryland as enacted by Chapter ..... of the Acts of 1972 (S.B. .... or H.B. ....); and if Section 36 of Article III of the Constitution is not amended by Chapter ..... above, then this Act shall become null and void without the necessity of further action by the General Assembly.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That, subject to the provisions of Section 3 above, this Act shall take effect January 1, 1973.

Approved May 26, 1972.

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CHAPTER 366  
(House Bill 687)

AN ACT to amend the Declaration of Rights of the Constitution of Maryland, to add new ~~Section~~ ARTICLE 46, to state that equality of rights under the law shall not be abridged or denied because of sex.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, (Three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two houses concurring), That new ~~Section~~ ARTICLE 46 is hereby proposed to the Declaration of Rights of the Constitution of Maryland, the same, if adopted by the legally qualified voters of the State, as herein provided, to become part of the Constitution of Maryland, all to read as follows:

46.

*Equality of rights under the law shall not be abridged or denied because of sex.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the foregoing sections hereby proposed as amendments to the Constitution of Maryland, at the next general election to be held in this State in November 1972, shall be submitted to the legal and qualified voters thereof for their adoption or rejection in pursuance of directions contained in Article 14 of the Constitution of this State, and at the said general election,