

ment. The repeal by this Article of any provisions of law shall not revive any law heretofore repealed or superseded, nor shall any such repeal affect any act done, liability incurred, or any right accrued or vested, or affect, or abate, or prevent any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of such repealed laws.

116. CONSTITUTIONALITY. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of this Article shall, for any reason, be adjudged by any Court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional and invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, or section thereof so found unconstitutional and invalid.

117. *And be it further enacted*, That all game laws and game and fresh water fish laws, whether general or local, except as provided in this Article, be and they are hereby repealed.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1943.

Approved May 4, 1943.

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CHAPTER 709.

(Senate Bill 123)

AN ACT to authorize the Board of Public Works to apply any excess receipts above a specified surplus for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1943, and June 30, 1944, to the State debt and to reduce the State Tax on real and personal property and/or the State income tax for such fiscal years.

*Whereas*, real estate now bears a heavy and disproportionate share of the tax burden in this State; and

*Whereas*, the State should therefore help to alleviate this condition by reducing the State real estate tax whenever possible; therefore

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That if the revenues derived from the State Income Tax and other sources of revenue, including the surplus carried over from the preceding fiscal year for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1943, and June 30, 1944, exceed the appropriations for each of said years, as contained in the State Budget for said years, by more than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00), the Board of Public