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## EDITOR'S NOTE

Capital transactions, such as mergers and acquisitions, have long enjoyed freedom from sales taxation. A recent amendment to the Maryland sales tax statute may have ended this freedom and may have far-reaching implications in business planning. Neal D. Borden, a local attorney, analyzes in depth the statute as a whole and the specific amendment in question, and concludes with recommendations for a reasoned approach to the problem in future legislative action.

A student note explores Baltimore City's liability for damage suffered by city property owners during the riots of 1968. In evaluating a decision by the Court of Appeals of Maryland on that point, the note comprehensively examines the history and the present day viability of the peacekeeping institutions which the court stated might have been available to the City. A second student offering deals with the application of the first and fifth amendments to the unique situation in *Bob Jones University v. Connally* in order to determine the appropriate relationship between the federal government and a private college which practices racial discrimination on religious grounds. Another note critically examines a recent decision by the Tenth Circuit in the antitrust area, and the final student work in this issue assesses the procedure by which a litigant in Baltimore City who requests a change of venue on grounds of prejudice may find himself in a court across the hall from that which he left.

In 1972, the University of Maryland School of Law recognized the eminent achievements of Judge Simon E. Sobeloff by awarding him the Distinguished Alumnus Award. Judge Sobeloff's contributions to the law and to society have been widely recognized, and the Editors of the *Maryland Law Review* join the Bar and the faculty in mourning Judge Sobeloff's passing. The *Review* plans to dedicate a future issue to Judge Sobeloff's achievements.