

mine what factories, manufacturing industries, establishments, plants and the like are within the meaning and purpose of this Act; provided, however, that such exemption from municipal taxation shall only be granted when ten or more wage earners are regularly employed by the person, persons, or corporation applying to the said Mayor and Council for the benefit hereof.

See sec. 685.

ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANT.*

1900, ch. 75, sec. 1.

384. As soon as the electric light plant hereinafter provided for shall have been completed and put in operation in accordance with the provisions of this Act, there shall be no lighting at municipal expense of the streets, alleys, squares, lanes, highways or other public places in the City of Hagerstown, except by electrical or other appliances owned, operated and maintained by the Mayor and Council of said city.

Mealy v. Hagerstown, 92 Md. 741. *Hagerstown v. Hagerstown Ry.*, 123 Md. 190. *Hagerstown v. Littleton*, 143 Md. 591. *Littleton v. Hagerstown*, 150 Md. 163. *Public Serv. Commn. v. Byron*, 153 Md. 464.

1900, ch. 75, sec. 2.

385. It shall be the duty of the Board of Street Commissioners of Hagerstown, as soon as possible after the passage of this Act, to take cognizance of the duties hereby imposed upon them, and within three months after the passage of this Act shall submit to the Mayor and Council of Hagerstown an estimate of the cost of constructing and equipping a plant to supply electrical energy or power sufficient in amount to satisfy the needs for lighting of said Mayor and Council and the citizens of Hagerstown. In determining and forming said estimates, the said Board of Street Commissioners shall advertise in suitable journals or newspapers for proposals comprising the whole or any part of such plant and equipment to be submitted under such terms and conditions as said Board of Street Commissioners may deem proper, and said Board of Street Commissioners are authorized and empowered to hire or employ the service of some reliable electrical engineer or person conversant with the subject matter in hand, who shall assist them in the performance of the duties herein set forth; the salary or compensation of such employee to be included in said estimates; and the words "plant" and "equipment" employed in this Act shall include all lands, buildings, leases, machinery, engines, poles, wires and other appliances necessary or advisable in the opinion of the Board of Street Commissioners, to the production of electrical power or energy and its transmission to the point of consumption, together with the lamps required for the proper lighting of the streets, lanes, alleys, and public places of Hagerstown.

*Ch. 75, 1900, was approved by the voters as provided by sec. 17A of said Act.