

CHAPTER 82.

AN ACT to extend the limits of Baltimore City by including therein parts of Baltimore County and Anne Arundel County.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That there is hereby added to the territory of Baltimore City all the territory lying between the boundaries of Baltimore City as they existed prior to the passage of this Act and the boundaries fixed by this Act as follows:

BEGINNING for the same at the point of intersection formed by the centre line of Park Heights avenue and the centre line of Slade avenue and running thence by a straight line due south to the centre line of Frederick road; thence southeasterly by a straight line to the point of intersection formed by the centre line of the Annapolis or Light street road and the centre line of the direct road leading from Brooklyn to Pumphrey, said intersection being about two-thirds of a mile southwesterly from the Anne Arundel County end of the Hanover street bridge across the Patapsco River; thence still southeasterly by a straight line to a point on the west bank of Curtis Creek, about 118 feet southwesterly from the west end of the highway bridge across Curtis Creek at Walnut Point; said point having a latitude north 39 degrees 12 minutes 29.2 seconds and longitude west 76 degrees 35 minutes 02.2 seconds (based upon the United States standards of datum of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey); thence still southeasterly by a straight line to a point of latitude north 39 degrees 11 minutes 50 seconds and longitude west 76 degrees 33 minutes 00 seconds (based upon the same United States standards of datum of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey); thence northeasterly by a straight line to the centre of the front range light of the Brewerton Channel, located near Hawkins Point, and continuing in the same direction to a point distant 1,000 feet northeasterly from said centre of said range light; thence by a straight line due north to intersect a line drawn due east from the place of beginning; thence reversing said line so drawn and binding thereon due west by a straight line to the place of beginning.

The courses in the above description are all referred to the true meridian of the City of Baltimore Topographical Survey Commission.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That, except as hereinafter otherwise provided, all the provisions of the Constitution of Maryland and of the Baltimore City Charter, and other local laws applicable to Baltimore City, and all the existing ordinances of Baltimore City, shall be and the same are hereby extended and made applicable to such portions of Baltimore County and Anne Arundel County as shall, under the provisions of this Act, be annexed to and made part of Baltimore City; and thereupon all the provisions of the Public Local Laws of Maryland relating to Baltimore County, except as hereinafter otherwise provided, shall cease to be in force in such portions of Baltimore County as shall, under the provisions of this Act, be annexed to and made part of Baltimore City, and all the provisions of the Public Local Laws of Maryland relating to Anne Arundel County, except as hereinafter otherwise provided, shall cease to be in force in such portions of Anne Arundel County as shall, under the provisions of this Act, be annexed to and made part of Baltimore City. But nothing herein, or elsewhere in this Act, shall affect the power of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to amend or repeal any ordinance existing at the date of the passage of this Act. Any reference herein to existing laws shall be understood to include any amendment or amendments which may be made to such laws at any time hereafter.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall be and hereby are authorized and required to cause the metes and bounds described in the first section of this Act to be forthwith surveyed and distinctly marked, and suitable boundary stones, marked as boundaries of the said city, to be placed at the beginning and at the termination of each line; and boundary stones marked as aforesaid, and not at a greater distance than fifty perches from each other, to be placed on all the lines which are not in the water and do not run with some natural boundary; and that the said Mayor and City Council shall cause three plats of the said survey to be made and duly certified as hereinafter provided, one of which shall be returned to and recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Baltimore County, another of which shall be returned to and recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County, and the third shall be returned to and recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore City, and copies of the said plats, duly certified by the keepers of the said records for the time being, respectively,

and under their respective seals of office, shall be admitted as evidence in all courts within this State. The said survey, so far as it relates to the boundary hereby established between Baltimore City and Anne Arundel County, shall be made under the direction of the Chief Engineer of the Topographical Survey Commission of Baltimore City and the Surveyor of Anne Arundel County, and so far as the same relates to the boundary hereby established between Baltimore City and Baltimore County shall be made under the direction of the Chief Engineer of the Topographical Survey Commission of Baltimore City and the Surveyor of Baltimore County. In the event of any disagreement between the Chief Engineer of the Topographical Survey Commission of Baltimore City and the Surveyor of Baltimore County, with reference to the proper location of the new boundary established by this Act between Baltimore City and Baltimore County, the point or points of disagreement shall be submitted to some competent surveyor to be named by the Governor of Maryland, whose decision thereupon shall be final; and in the event of any disagreement between the Chief Engineer of the Topographical Survey Commission of Baltimore City and the Surveyor of Anne Arundel County with reference to the proper location of the boundary established by this Act between Baltimore City and Anne Arundel County, the point or points of disagreement shall be submitted to some competent surveyor, to be named by the Governor, whose decision thereupon shall be final. After the boundaries shall have been fixed and established, and plat thereof made, as hereinabove provided, said plat shall be certified under the hand of the Chief Engineer of the Topographical Survey Commission of Baltimore City, and the copies thereof, as above provided, shall be by him delivered to the Clerks of the Circuit Court for Baltimore County, the Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County, and the Superior Court of Baltimore City, to be recorded as hereinabove provided, the expense of such recording, at the usual rates, to be paid by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore. The Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall also pay to the Surveyor of Anne Arundel County, for the services required of him under this Act, the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00), and shall pay to the Surveyor of Baltimore County, for the services required of him under this Act, the sum of Three Hundred dollars (\$300.00), and the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall furnish, at its own expense, the necessary assistants to make the survey herein provided for. And the Mayor and City

Council of Baltimore shall also pay a reasonable compensation to be fixed by the Governor to the surveyor named by the Governor as hereinabove provided, in the event that the Governor names a surveyor under the above provision.

Full power and authority is hereby given to said Chief Engineer of the Topographical Survey Commission and to said surveyors and their assistants to enter upon any and all property from time to time in the performance of the duties imposed by this Act, and to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to erect and maintain suitable stones or posts marking said boundaries as hereinabove provided. Any person interfering with said Chief Engineer, the said surveyors and their assistants or either of them in the discharge of the duties imposed by this section, or removing or interfering with said boundary stones or posts, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a penalty of not less than five nor more than one hundred dollars and may be prosecuted before any Court or Justice having jurisdiction of misdemeanors committed in Baltimore City.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That, until the redivision of the entire city, as constituted by this Act into wards, shall be otherwise provided for by law, the new territory added to the city by this Act shall be divided into four wards, to be numbered 25, 26, 27 and 28, the boundaries of said four wards to be as follows:

Ward 25. Shall comprise all of the new territory annexed to the city by this Act lying southerly of the line beginning where the boundary line established by this Act crosses the centre line of Frederick road; thence easterly, along the centre line of Frederick road to the western, and thence south to the southern boundary of Baltimore City as said western and southern boundary lines existed prior to the passage of this Act; thence, following said pre-existing southern boundary line of the city, to the eastern boundary line of the city as it existed prior to the passage of this Act; thence easterly, along the North Shore of the North Branch of the Patapsco River, to the point where said north shore line intersects the eastern boundary line of Baltimore City established by this Act.

Ward 26. Shall comprise all the territory lying between the eastern boundary line of the city as it existed prior to the passage of this Act and the eastern boundary line of the city as established by this Act, and between the north shore of the North Branch of the Patapsco River and the center line of Belair road.

Ward 27. Shall comprise all of the new territory annexed to the city by this Act lying between the northern boundary line of the city as it existed prior to the passage of this Act and the northern boundary line of the city as established by this Act, and between the center line of the Belair road and the center line of the Reisterstown road.

Ward 28. Shall comprise all the new territory annexed to the city by this Act lying between the center line of the Reisterstown road and the center line of Frederick road and between the northern and western boundaries of the city as they existed prior to the passage of this Act and the western boundary of the city as established by this Act.

The duly qualified and registered voters in each of the said new wards shall be entitled to elect one Member of the First Branch City Council, and the duly qualified and registered voters in Wards 25 and 26 together shall be entitled to elect one Member of the Second Branch City Council, and the duly qualified and registered voters in Wards 27 and 28 together shall be entitled to elect one Member of the Second Branch City Council.

At the regular councilmanic election in May, 1919, the said Members of the First and Second Branches of the City Council shall be elected to serve for a term of four years, as provided in Sections 212 and 213 of the Revised Charter of Baltimore City.

As soon as they conveniently can, after the passage of this Act, the Board or Supervisors of Elections for Baltimore City shall divide each of said Wards 25, 26, 27 and 28, into election precincts conveniently arranged, having regard to the population and area, and the said Board of Supervisors of Elections shall provide suitable places for registration and polling places in all of said precincts, and shall cause a new registration of all persons entitled to vote in all of said precincts, to be made at the same time as the Baltimore City registration in the Fall of 1918, and shall provide for holding the Municipal Primary and General Elections in all of said precincts in the Spring of 1919 and all elections thereafter. All existing laws applicable to the registration of voters and to the Municipal Primary and General Elections in the Spring of 1919, within the limits of Baltimore City, as they existed prior to the passage of this Act, are hereby made applicable to the registration herein directed and to the Municipal Primary and General Elections in the Spring of 1919, hereby directed to be held

by the Supervisors of Elections of Baltimore City in the territory comprised within the boundaries of the hereinabove specified Wards 25, 26, 27 and 28. Provided, however, that if the Supervisors of Elections of Baltimore City should be unable to hold the registration herein provided for in said Wards 25, 26, 27 and 28 on the same days as the registration in Baltimore City, as it existed prior to this Act, in the Fall of 1918, then they are hereby authorized to appoint such other days as, in their judgment, may be suitable and sufficient for the purpose, at any time prior to the Municipal Primary in Baltimore City in 1919, and hold said registration in said Wards 25, 26, 27 and 28 on such other days so appointed, after having given the same notice which is required to be given for registration in Baltimore City by Section 14 of Article 33 of the Code. The Primary election for the nomination of candidates for Congress in the year 1918 and the general election in November, 1918, within the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City, shall be held by the Supervisors of Elections of Baltimore County and Anne Arundel County, respectively, just as if this Act had not been passed. All voters qualified to vote for members of the House of Delegates, and registered as hereinabove provided, or as hereafter provided by law, in the precincts comprising said Wards 25, 26, 27 and 28, respectively, shall be qualified and entitled to vote in the Municipal Primary and General elections to be held in the Spring of 1919, and all elections thereafter.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That, until otherwise provided by law, said Ward 26 shall be included in and be a part of the First Legislative District of Baltimore City, and said Ward 27 shall be included in and be a part of the Second Legislative District of Baltimore City, and said Ward 28 shall be included in and be a part of the Third Legislative District of Baltimore City, and said Ward 25 shall be included in and be a part of the Fourth Legislative District of Baltimore City.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted,* That, until otherwise provided by law, the portions of Baltimore County and Anne Arundel County which are by this Act annexed to Baltimore City shall remain in the same Congressional District of which they now, respectively, form parts, but the Congressional as well as all other elections to be held therein after January 1, 1919, shall be conducted by the Supervisors of Elections of Baltimore City.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That the Board of Supervisors of Elections of Baltimore County are hereby directed to provide new polling places for, or to so amend their election precincts as to include within existing election precincts, all registered voters residing in Baltimore County outside of the limits of Baltimore City as fixed by this Act and who have heretofore been registered in election precincts whose polling places were located within the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City; and the Board of Supervisors of Elections of Anne Arundel County shall, in like manner, provide new polling places or re-arrange existing precincts so as to provide polling places for all registered voters of Anne Arundel County outside of the limits of Baltimore City as fixed by this Act and who have heretofore been registered in election precincts the polling places of which were located within the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That persons resident and property situate within the territory which by this Act is annexed to Baltimore City shall become subject to taxation for local city purposes beginning with the city levy, to be made in the fall of 1918, for the year 1919. And the Treasurer of Baltimore County and the Treasurer of Anne Arundel County are hereby respectively authorized to collect all State Taxes levied for the year 1918, and the proportion to December 31, 1918, of all county and other local taxes, if any, levied for the fiscal year 1918-1919, and all taxes for previous years which may not have been paid, to the same extent as if this Act had not been passed. The said Treasurers are hereby directed, in making out the bills for local taxes for the fiscal year 1918-1919, to deduct such proportion thereof as the time from December 31, 1918, to the end of said fiscal year shall bear to the whole year. The obligation of maintaining a police force for preserving the peace and of maintaining a fire department as a protection against fire, and of maintaining the public highways and public schools and of performing every other governmental or municipal function heretofore performed by the County Commissioners or other public officials in the territory which is by this Act annexed to Baltimore City (except the duties hereinabove imposed upon the Supervisors of Elections of Baltimore City), shall continue to rest upon the County Commissioners of Baltimore County and the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel County, respectively, or other public officials, until Decem-

ber 31, 1918, inclusive. Beginning with January 1, 1919, all these obligations shall pass to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore or other public officials of Baltimore and the County Commissioners of Baltimore County and Anne Arundel County, respectively, shall be thereafter relieved therefrom.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted,* That the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall pay to the Treasurer of Baltimore County, for the use of said County, such a sum as shall be ascertained, in the manner hereinafter directed, to be the fair value to said County, after the passage of this Act, of all schoolhouses, including the school furniture therein, fire engine houses, including the fire engines and apparatus used in connection therewith, and police stations, situate within the territory which is by this Act annexed from Baltimore County to Baltimore City, and the said Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall pay to the Treasurer of Anne Arundel County, for the use of said County, such a sum as shall be ascertained, in the manner hereinafter directed, to be the fair value to said County, after the passage of this Act, of all schoolhouses, including the school furniture therein, fire engine houses, including the fire engines and apparatus used in connection therewith, and police stations, situate within the territory which is by this Act annexed from Anne Arundel County to Baltimore City. The amount so to be paid to each of the said Counties, respectively, shall be ascertained, in accordance with the principle hereinbelow stated, by arbitrators, one to be appointed by the Mayor of Baltimore City, one to be appointed by the County Commissioners of Baltimore County, for the purpose of passing upon the amount to be paid to the Treasurer of Baltimore County, as herein directed, and one to be appointed by the Mayor of Baltimore City, and one to be appointed by the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel County, for the purpose of passing upon the amount to be paid to the Treasurer of Anne Arundel County, in pursuance of this Section; in each case, the two arbitrators shall appoint a third, and if they cannot agree upon such third arbitrator the latter shall be appointed by the Governor of Maryland; the decision of two of said arbitrators shall be final and conclusive on both parties. In ascertaining the said fair valuation of said properties, or the amount to be paid to the Treasurer of each of said counties, respectively, the arbitrators shall take into consideration the location of each of said schoolhouses, fire engine houses

and police stations, and the value or usefulness thereof to each of said counties, respectively, outside of the portion annexed by this Act to Baltimore City. If, in the judgment of said arbitrators, any fire engine house and lot, with its apparatus, any police station and lot, and any schoolhouse and lot and furniture, is so situate as to be of no use to the population of the counties outside of the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City, they shall value such engine house and lot and apparatus, such station house and lot, or such schoolhouse, lot and furniture, respectively, at a nominal valuation, and any such fire engine house, lot and apparatus, station house, and lot, or schoolhouse, lot and furniture, so situated as to be, in the judgment of said arbitrators, of use to the inhabitants of the counties outside of the territory to be annexed by this Act to Baltimore City, shall be valued by said arbitrators according to their judgment of its usefulness to the people of the counties outside of the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City. The intention of this Section is that the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall pay to the Treasurer of Baltimore County and the Treasurer of Anne Arundel County, respectively, the fair value of any and every use of the public property hereinabove mentioned situate within the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City, of which the inhabitants of the County outside of said territory are deprived by this Act.

In addition to the payments hereinabove directed to be made, the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall also pay to the Treasurer of Anne Arundel County the fair value of the existing bridge over Curtis Creek, included within the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City, said value to be ascertained in case of disagreement, by the arbitrators above mentioned upon the basis of the cost of reproducing said bridge new, less a proper charge for depreciation on account of age.

The total amount ascertained in pursuance of this section to be paid by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to the Treasurer of Baltimore County and the total amount so ascertained to be paid to the Treasurer of Anne Arundel County shall be paid by said Mayor and City Council of Baltimore in ten annual installments; 1/10th of said total amount to be paid on or before September 1st, 1919, and 1/10th to be paid on or before the same date each year thereafter until the whole is paid. The title of the County Commissioners of Anne

Arundel County and Baltimore County, respectively, or of other public officials or bodies holding title to any school houses and lots, engine houses and lots, station houses and lots, together with the furniture and equipment therein or other public property situate within the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City, shall become and be vested in the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore as of January 1st, 1919,—all of said property to be thereafter held by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore upon the same public trusts upon which it has heretofore been held by the said County Commissioners or other public officials or bodies of the said counties, respectively.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted*, That the territory annexed to Baltimore City by this Act is hereby declared to be a taxing district, and, for the year 1919, the Board of Estimates and the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, in fixing a tax rate, in the fall of 1918, under Section 40 of the Charter, shall fix the rate of taxation for local purposes in said taxing district at a sum equal to 60% of the full city rate which shall be fixed by said Board upon real estate situate within the limits of Baltimore City as they existed prior to the passage of the Act of 1888, Chapter 98; and, in like manner, for the year 1920, the said Board of Estimates shall fix the rate for local purposes in said taxing district at an amount equal to 62% of the said full city rate on real estate in said old city limits; and so on, from year to year, with an increase of 2% each year of the percentage of the full city rate which is fixed as the rate upon real estate in the said old city limits, until the rate in said taxing district and in said old city limits shall become the same. Beginning with the rate for the year 1939, and thereafter the tax rate shall be the same throughout the entire city limits of the City of Baltimore as enlarged by this Act, provided that nothing in this Act shall be intended to repeal or affect any law or ordinances now existing or which may hereafter be passed fixing different rates of taxation upon different classes of property, the intent of this provision being that, beginning with the year 1939 and thereafter, there shall be the same rate of taxation throughout the entire limits of Baltimore City upon the same classes of property. The provisions of the Baltimore City Charter with regard to the assessment of property for taxation shall apply to the real and personal property situate in the territory annexed by this Act

to Baltimore City, and to the personal property of residents of said territory, to the same extent as they apply to the real and personal property situate in and to the personal property of persons resident in the limits of Baltimore City as they existed prior to the passage of this Act; provided, however, that no existing assessment on real or personal property situate in the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City or upon persons resident in such territory because of the ownership of real or personal property, shall be increased by the Appeal Tax Court or the assessors of Baltimore City prior to the assessment upon which taxes shall be levied for the year 1922, but this provision shall not be construed to prevent the proper assessment, under the provisions of the Charter of Baltimore City of any property, or of any persons by reason of the ownership of property, which may have been subject to assessment in said annexed territory at the time of the passage of this Act but which may have escaped or been omitted from the assessment rolls of Baltimore and Anne Arundel Counties, respectively. Nor shall anything herein affect the power of the Appeal Tax Court and the Assessors of Baltimore City to increase the assessment upon any person or property by reason of new or additional property acquired after the passage of this Act, or to increase the assessment upon real estate by reason of the construction of improvements thereon after the passage of this Act, or of improvements which may have been constructed so recently before the passage of this Act as not to have been assessed at the time of the passage of this Act. The rate of local taxation provided by this Section for the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City shall apply to all real and leasehold property situated in said territory, to all personal property located in said territory the situs of which for purposes of taxation is determined by the place of physical location, to all personal property including shares of the capital stock of corporations belonging to residents in said territory, the situs of which for purposes of taxation is determined by the place of residence of the owner, and to the proportion of the personal property of ordinary business corporations apportioned under the Act of 1914, Chapter 324, Section 88-C, to the capital stock of such corporations owned by residents of said territory. Provided, however, that nothing in this Act shall affect the provisions of Section 214 of Article 81 of Bagby's Code, as amended by the Act of 1914, Chapter 411, relating to the taxation of securities therein named. And pro-

vided further that all personal property, of every description, owned by any person, firm or corporation and used entirely or chiefly in connection with manufacturing, in the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City, including mechanical tools, or implements, whether worked by hand or steam or other motive power, machinery, manufacturing apparatus or engines, raw material on hand, manufactured products in the hands of the manufacturer, bills receivable and business credits of every kind, due to the manufacturer, for goods manufactured in Baltimore City shall be exempt from taxation for all ordinary municipal purposes.

To enable the Appeal Tax Court of Baltimore City to make up an assessment roll of the persons and property subject to taxation in the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City in accordance with the provisions of this section, the County Commissioners of Baltimore County are hereby directed to furnish to the Appeal Tax Court of Baltimore City promptly after this Act takes effect and not later than December 31, 1918, a list or roll, duly certified by them to be correct, of all assessments upon persons resident in, and property situate in, the territory annexed by this Act from Baltimore County to Baltimore City, existing at the time of making said list or roll. Said list or roll shall be made up in a suitable book or books to be furnished by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to the said County Commissioners of Baltimore County. And the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall pay to the said County Commissioners of Baltimore County the reasonable expense of transcribing said list or roll of assessments, not exceeding the amount chargeable by law for furnishing transcripts from the Land Records.

And the County Commissioners of Anne of Arundel County are hereby directed to furnish to the Appeal Tax Court of Baltimore City, promptly after this Act goes into effect and not later than December 31, 1918, a list or roll, duly certified by them to be correct, of all assessments upon persons residents in, and property situate in, the territory annexed by this Act from Anne Arundel County to Baltimore City, existing at the time of making said list or roll. Said list or roll shall be made up in a suitable book or books to be furnished by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to the said County Commissioners of Anne Arundel County. And the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall pay to the said County Commissioners of Anne Arundel County the reason-

able expense of transcribing said list or roll of assessments, not exceeding the amount chargeable by law for furnishing transcripts from the Land Records. From said lists or rolls furnished by the County Commissioners of Baltimore County and the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel County, as herein directed, the Appeal Tax Court shall make up, as soon as they reasonably can, the assessment roll of the persons and property subject to taxation in the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore city, and the tax rate for said territory, as hereinabove provided, shall apply to the roll so made up for the year 1919, and annually thereafter the tax rate as herein provided shall apply to said roll, with such changes thereof as may be made in accordance with this Act.

SEC. 11. *And be it further enacted*, That all roads, streets, avenues or alleys, lying in any of the territory hereinabove described, which shall have been heretofore dedicated and accepted or legally condemned as roads or streets, under the provisions of any Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, or of the common law, shall be held to be validly constituted public highways of Baltimore City; and all proceedings for the laying out, opening, grading and construction of streets, avenues, or alleys in said territory, which shall have been begun under any existing statutes of Maryland prior to the passage of this Act, shall be proceeded with and completed under the said Act or Acts in all respects as if this Act had not been passed. When such proceedings are completed, said streets, avenues and alleys shall be public highways of Baltimore City. Any bridges existing in any of said highways mentioned in this Section shall be considered as parts of such highways.

SEC. 12. *And be it further enacted*, That the Governor is hereby authorized to nominate and appoint one additional Justice of the Peace for Baltimore City, for each of said Wards 25, 26, 27 and 28.

SEC. 13. *And be it further enacted*, That all school teachers who shall be connected with the public schools in the parts of the territory described in this Act shall be allowed to retain their respective positions for the scholastic year 1918-19 and such teachers shall be deemed qualified and continue eligible without further examination to occupy positions as teachers in the public schools, in the same manner as if they had complied with the examination now required for teachers in the public schools of Baltimore City.

SEC. 14. *And be it further enacted*, That the Board of Police Commissioners of Baltimore City are hereby directed, in submitting their annual estimate to the Board of Estimates in the Fall of 1918, for the expenses of the Police Department for the year 1919, to submit an estimate of the cost to properly arm, equip and maintain an additional force of sixty men. Of said sixty men, so many may be appointed as sergeants as, in the judgment of the said Board of Police Commissioners, may be necessary, and the remainder shall be patrolmen; and the Board of Estimates shall provide in the Ordinance of Estimates for 1919 for the additional expense so estimated by the Board of Police Commissioners to properly enroll, arm, equip and maintain said additional force of sixty men, and the same shall be allowed in the Ordinance of Estimates for the year 1919. After the passage of said Ordinance said Board of Police Commissioners shall appoint and equip the additional force herein provided for, so that the same may be ready for service on January 1, 1919. In making such appointments, said Board of Police Commissioners are hereby directed to give preference to the members of the Police force now employed by the County Commissioners of Baltimore County and of Anne Arundel County, respectively, and residing in the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City, and whom they may deem properly qualified to discharge the duties of the positions. The said additional force of sixty men, when enrolled in pursuance of this Section, shall be to all intents and purposes and shall thereafter remain a portion of the police force of Baltimore City, and shall be subject to duty at any place to which they may be ordered by said Board of Police Commissioners of Baltimore City. On and after January 1, 1919, all the duties heretofore resting upon the Board of Police Commissioners of Baltimore City, with reference to the territory comprised within the limits of Baltimore City as they existed prior to the passage of this Act and the inhabitants thereof, shall rest upon the said Board of Police Commissioners with reference to the territory comprised within the limits of Baltimore City, as established by this Act and the inhabitants thereof.

SEC. 15. *And be it further enacted*, That all the inhabitants of the territory annexed to Baltimore City by this Act shall, in all respects and to all intents and purposes, be subject to the powers, jurisdiction and authority vested, or to be vested by law, in the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, and to all the Ordinances now in force, so far as the same may be con-

sistent with the provisions of this Act, and the territory so annexed shall, in all respects, be taken and considered as part of said City of Baltimore. Provided, however, that the Act of 1908, Chapter 583, shall not apply to the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City; that the Special Paving Tax levied by the Act of 1912, Chapter 688, shall not attach to any property in the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City, on account of any improved paving laid before the passage of this Act, except paving done by the State Roads Commission, and that no ordinance of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore existing prior to the passage of this Act, prohibiting the maintenance of stock yards, abattoirs, packing plants or other plants for the handling of live stock and live stock products, or fertilizer or acid works or soap factories or rendering plants; or prohibiting the keeping or driving of live stock or the keeping of fowls, or prohibiting or regulating manufacturing or other industrial works or businesses existing, and as conducted, prior to, and at the time of the passage of this Act, shall apply to any portion of the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City; but nothing herein contained shall be construed to affect the power of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to pass ordinances under the police power, or any other power in the Charter, affecting the territory and the inhabitants thereof annexed by this Act to Baltimore City, to the same extent as they may pass such ordinances affecting the territory and the inhabitants of Baltimore City as it existed prior to the passage of this Act.

SEC. 16. *And be it further enacted,* That no law prohibiting the sale of liquor in any part of the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City shall be altered, amended or repealed by any provision of this Act.

SEC. 17. *And be it further enacted,* That any and every company or corporation which at the time of the passage of this Act, shall be actually engaged in the business of supplying water to any of the inhabitants of the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City, shall be entitled to continue to supply with water such territory as they may be actually supplying at the time of the passage of this Act, and such additional territory as they may be permitted to supply in pursuance of this section, after the passage of this Act, until such time as the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore may extend the Baltimore City water service into such territory, or any

part thereof. Before the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall extend the Baltimore City water service into any territory occupied by any existing water company, the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, shall acquire, either by purchase or condemnation, the property of such water company in the territory into which the Baltimore City water service is to be so extended, excepting, however, lines of any water company used for supplying persons living outside of the limits of Baltimore City as fixed by this Act. No such water company shall be entitled to extend its mains or service into any new territory after the passage of this act without applying to, and obtaining from, the Board of Estimates of Baltimore City the privilege of so extending its pipes and service. But the Board of Estimates of Baltimore City shall grant such privilege whenever applied for, upon the usual terms for granting minor privileges in the public highways of the City, and at rates not greater than the usual rates charged for laying other pipes in such highways, unless at the time such application is made the Water Board of Baltimore City is ready promptly to extend the Baltimore City water service into the territory so applied for by such water company. Every such water company shall be entitled to maintain, without any franchise or minor privilege charge, its existing pipes now situate in any portion of the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City, until the expiration of its existing right to maintain said pipes. And the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall grant to every such water company, upon payment of the usual franchise or minor privilege charge, any franchise or minor privileges which may be applied for to lay enlarged or additional pipes through any of the public highways within the limits of Baltimore City, as established by this Act, which may be necessary for supplying customers outside of said limits. Any company or corporation owning or operating any sewage disposal plant and sewer pipes connected therewith within the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City, shall be entitled to continue such service until such time as the Baltimore City Sewerage System may be extended into the territory, or any part thereof, occupied by such company or corporation. Before extending the Baltimore City Sewerage System into any such territory, the City shall acquire, either by purchase or condemnation, the property of the said company or corporation having such sewage disposal plant and sewer pipes connected therewith in the territory into which the said Baltimore City Sewerage System may be extended. But no sewerage system,

other than the Baltimore City Sewerage System, shall be extended into any territory not occupied by it at the time of the passage of this Act, within the limits of Baltimore City as fixed by this Act, without the consent of the Board of Estimates of Baltimore City. The Board of Estimates shall grant such privilege, when applied for, under the same conditions and upon the same terms as are hereinabove stated with regard to Water Companies. The territory occupied by any water company or sewerage company, shall be construed to mean all the territory which is reasonably near to any supply pipe of such company, and which may be considered naturally tributary thereto. "Supply pipe" shall mean any water pipe or sewer-pipe other than house connections. Full power and authority is hereby given to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to acquire, by purchase or condemnation, any water works, water pipes, sewage disposal plant, sewers and any other property of any kind situate within the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City, which may be needed for any public purpose. In any such purchase or condemnation, compensation for the property taken shall be considered to include the value of the property taken and such damages, if any, as the owner thereof may suffer, by reason of such taking. Nothing herein shall be construed to impose any obligation upon the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to purchase any private drains or sewers which may have been constructed in any portion of the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City prior to the passage of this Act, and which are not connected with any sewage disposal plant. Nothing in this Act shall be taken or construed as affecting the right of any company, or corporation owning or operating a water or sewerage system in the territory annexed to Baltimore City by this Act to make any improvements, or construct, maintain, lay or operate any additional pipes or appurtenances in, under or upon private rights of way or upon private property; but this provision shall not limit the right of purchase or condemnation hereinabove given to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to give authority to furnish water or to operate a sewerage plant or system in any portion of the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City, to any company or corporation which is not otherwise entitled to do so. The word "Company" or "Corporation" in this Section shall be construed to include any person or persons, firm or association.

SEC. 18. *And be it further enacted,* That all suits, indictments or other proceedings affecting any person or property, resident or situate, or relating to any crime or offense committed in any portion of the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City, which may have been instituted and may be pending at the time of the passage of this Act, shall be proceeded with in the same manner as if this Act had not been passed. Any and every person holding any State or County office in Baltimore County or Anne Arundel County and who may be a resident within the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore City at the time of the passage of this Act, shall continue to hold such office until the termination of his then pending term as if this Act had not been passed.

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CHAPTER 83.

AN ACT to make it unlawful to transport or to offer to transport, or to aid or to assist in transporting any person or persons upon, or over any public highway or waters of the State for purposes of prostitution or any other immoral or lewd purpose.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That it shall be unlawful for any person to transport or to offer to transport, or to aid or assist in transporting any person or persons upon or over any public street, road, highway, river, stream, bay, or other public way of any nature whatever within the State of Maryland by means of a horse vehicle, automobile, boat, vessel, or other means of transportation used or employed for hire, for purposes of prostitution or any other immoral or lewd purpose. This Act shall only apply to public conveyances for hire.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That any person convicted of a violation of this Act shall be punished by a fine not exceeding \$500.00 or by imprisonment not exceeding one year, or by both fine and imprisonment within such limits.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That upon conviction under this Act the person so convicted shall forfeit his license to drive or operate such automobile or other vehicle within the State of Maryland for such period of time as the Court imposing the sentence shall direct.