

fied by said Board to the County Commissioners, sufficient to defray the expenses for the maintenance of the said police force, provided for in the preceding section, clear of all expenses and deductions, upon all the assessable property in the county, and to cause the same to be collected, for each current fiscal year, as other county taxes are now collected; and said sum, when collected, shall be paid by said County Commissioners to the Board of Police Commissioners, to be applied by said Board solely to defraying the expenses of the police force in the county; and at the end of each fiscal year, said Board of Police Commissioners shall render to the County Commissioners on account of the expenditure of said sum of money. And in the same manner, shall be assessed, levied and collected a sum of money to be certified to the County Commissioners by the Register of the Corporation, sufficient to pay the salaries of the Councilmen from the county, and such part of the salary as shall be hereafter prescribed by law, of the Mayor of the city and county, as is proportionate to the relative population of the county to the city; and the County Commissioners shall pay over said sum to the Register of the Corporation, to be applied to the payment of the salaries of said Councilmen and said Mayor.

Sec. —. *And be it enacted*, That whenever the owners of the greater part of the leasehold and real estate in the county comprised within an area of contiguous territory equal to not less than one half a square mile, shall by application in writing to "the Mayor and Council of Baltimore city and county," petition to be subject to the powers, jurisdiction and direct authority vested or to be vested by law in said corporation, then, on every such application, the direct authority and jurisdiction of said corporation, shall be applied to such territory and to the inhabitants thereof, and the same shall thenceforth be subject in all respects and for all intents and purposes, except as hereinafter provided, to the ordinances of said corporation, and the laws relating and applicable thereto, made effective by this Act; provided, however, that the direct authority of the Mayor and Council of Baltimore city and county, shall be applied, first, to territory adjoining the limits of the city, as now laid out, and afterwards to the territory adjoining thereto, so that the enlargement of the direct authority of the corporation, may be applied to adjoining territory; and provided, moreover, that notice of all such applications, from the owners of adjoining territory, shall be inserted by order of the Mayor and Council, in two daily newspapers published in the city, twice a week for four successive weeks, before action shall be had thereon, by the Mayor and Council, and favorable action of said Mayor and Council on any such application, shall be evidenced by an ordinance of said "The Mayor and Council of Baltimore city and county;" provided nevertheless, that the territory and the