

inhabitants thereof, on becoming subject to the direct authority of the corporation as hereinbefore provided, shall be exempt from all taxation by the authorities of Baltimore county, as now constituted, except in so far as may be necessary to defray the expense, justly apportioned to said territory, and the inhabitants thereof, incurred for the election of members to represent the county, in the General Assembly, and for the election of Congressmen for the district of which Baltimore county forms a part, and for the maintenance of the Judiciary of the Educational system, and of the poor, of the county, and of the Police Force, and for the payment of the salaries of the Councilmen from the county, and its proportion of the salary of the Mayor, but the said territory and the inhabitants thereof, shall not be subject to taxation by the corporation, for any of the purposes corresponding with those hereinbefore enumerated, and the taxes to be assessed, levied and collected on the property, and the inhabitants thereof, within the limits of the territory made subject to the direct authority of the Mayor and Council, as hereinbefore provided; shall be graduated into three classes, in proportion to the benefits petitioned for by the inhabitants thereof; that is to say; first, a city tax corresponding with the tax within the limits of direct taxation in the city of Baltimore; second, a "suburban tax," which shall never exceed two-thirds of the rate levied as a "city tax," as aforesaid; third, a "farm tax," which shall never exceed one-third of the rate levied as a "city tax," as aforesaid.

Sec. —. *And be it enacted*, That the Representative, Judicial, Ministerial and Executive functions of the governmental organization in and for Baltimore county, as now constituted, whether the officers or agents for the exercise of the powers and fulfilment of the duties thereof, be elected by the voters of said county, or appointed by the authorities of the State, shall as to source, structure, powers and jurisdiction, remain unimpaired by the adoption and operation of this Act, but the same shall be held effectual, valid and binding, except as provided in the preceding section, it being the intention of this Act to maintain the Legislative and Judicial District of Baltimore county, and of which Baltimore county forms a part, as at present established by the Constitution, and not to contravene in any respect the provisions of that instrument.

Sec. —. *And be it enacted*, That the right and title in and to the property of every kind belonging to or possessed by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, as now constituted and by Baltimore county, as now constituted at the time of the adoption of this Act, shall remain as then held and possessed by each respectively, and said property shall be bound only for the debts and obligation of the city and county as now constituted, to which it respectively belongs; and the