

WHEREAS, At the time of the passage of the ordinance of estimates for the year 1912 it was not known that the next Democratic National Convention would be held in Baltimore during the year 1912; and,

WHEREAS, It is desirable and for the interests of the city that there should be an extraordinary expenditure upon smooth paving and printing extra copies of the Baltimore Book and street cleaning and street lighting, and for the painting and repairs of the iceboats "Annapolis" and "Latrobe," for which extraordinary expenditures no provision was made in the ordinance of estimates for the year 1912, and, under the City Charter, the Board of Estimates can not prepare another ordinance of estimates until the annual ordinance for the year 1913; therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Board of Estimates of Baltimore City be and it is hereby authorized to meet as soon as conveniently may be after the passage of this act, and prepare an ordinance making such extraordinary appropriation for paving, repaving or repairing such streets leading to the depots and other public places which they may deem advisable, in view of the coming of the Democratic National Convention, and to make such additional appropriation for extraordinary street cleaning and sprinkling, prior to and during the time of the holding of the said convention, and for extraordinary lighting during the time of said convention, and for the repainting and repairing of the iceboats "Annapolis" and "Latrobe," and for publishing extra copies of the Baltimore Book, as in their judgment may be proper, not exceeding in all the sum of fifty-five thousand dollars (\$55,000), said sum to be appropriated from any funds of the city not otherwise appropriated, if there be such funds available, and, if there be no such funds available, then such sum to be appropriated by way of anticipation of the revenues for the year 1913; and, upon such appropriation being so made by the Board of Estimates, the same shall be submitted to the City Council in the form of an ordinance, and if passed by the City Council, the money so appropriated shall be available, and may be used for said purposes.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 8, 1912.