

1908, ch. 629, sec. 184A21 (p. 337).

**485.** Whenever the persons owning the property fronting on any such sidewalks shall refuse to have such sidewalks, gutters and sewers paved when directed to do so by an ordinance, within thirty days from the date of its passage, the said Mayor and Council shall have the materials found and the work done, and shall cause the proportion of expenses chargeable to each proprietor or owner, to be ascertained, and may recover the same by action in the Circuit Court or before any justice of the peace, according to the amount awarded, or may distrain the personal property of such proprietor or owner at any time within six months from the time when the ascertainment of the proportion of such proprietor or owner shall be made; provided, that ten days' notice shall be given by the Mayor to the said proprietor or owner of the amount of his or her assessment, prior to such suit or distress.

#### AMENDMENTS TO CHARTER.

1908, ch. 629, sec. 184A22 (p. 337).

**486.** No amendments, alterations or changes shall be made or take place in the charter of the town of Midland, Allegany County, Maryland, after the year 1908, without the knowledge, consent and approval of the majority of the voters of the aforesaid town. The approval or disapproval of the voters to be determined by submitting the amendments, alterations and changes to a vote of the people of said town at the next city election.

#### BAILIFF.

1924, ch. 144, sec. 184A23.

**487.** The Bailiff shall before entering upon his duties take the same oath as the members of the Council. He shall perform the police duties of the town and is clothed with the powers of a Constable under the general law, and he shall be subject to the orders of the Mayor and Council, and shall collect all fines, for the violation of the town ordinances, and shall pay over and account for the same at such time and in such manner as may be prescribed by the orders of the Council.

Ch. 144, 1924, was ratified by the voters at the town election as provided by said Act.

#### MINORS AND NON-SUPPORT.

1927, ch. 334.

**488.** Any person in Allegany County, who shall without just cause desert or wilfully neglect to provide support and maintenance for his wife or minor child or children as the case may be, and any person charged by law with the care, custody, support or maintenance of any minor child or children, who abandons such minor or fails or refuses to provide support and maintenance for such minor, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor,