

the execution thereof, and to that end shall direct nightly examinations by some of their officers, of all such places.

1890, ch. 55. 1900, ch. 32. 1914 Code, sec. 101

83. The Mayor, Counselor and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis are authorized and empowered, whenever it shall seem to them expedient for the encouragement of the growth and development of manufactures and manufacturing industry in said city, upon the application as hereinafter provided, of any individual firm, or corporation actually engaged in the business of manufacturing in said city, to abate all taxes for any year which may hereafter be levied for city purposes by authority of said Mayor, Counselor and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis, upon any mechanical tools or implements, whether worked by hand or steam, or other motive power, or upon the machinery, manufacturing apparatus or engines owned by such industrial firm or corporation, and actually employed and used in the business of manufacturing in said city, and which would be properly subject to valuation and taxation therein; provided such abatement of taxes in any year shall be extended to all persons, firms and corporations engaged in said city, in the branch or branches of manufacturing industry proposed to be benefited by the provisions of this section, and so abated by them for such year; and provided further, that application for such abatement in any year as aforesaid shall be made and verified to the satisfaction of said Mayor, Counselor and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis, by the oath of the party applying for the same and other satisfactory evidence before the annual revision and correction of the tax list in such year, and not afterwards; and the said Mayor, Counselor and Aldermen shall keep a record of all such abatements made by them as aforesaid, which shall be open to the inspection of the public, and shall in each year publish in some of the newspapers published in said city under their contract for public printing a full list of such abatements allowed for such year; provided, nothing contained in this section shall be construed to authorize any abatement of taxes levied upon property which is properly assessable and taxable as real estate, nor shall be construed to authorize any abatement of taxes, as provided in said section for a longer period than one year, for which such application is so made.

1894, ch. 362. 1914 Code, sec. 102.

84. No person or persons, or body corporate, shall open, dig up, relay, obstruct, or in any manner interfere, for any purposes whatever, with the streets, lanes, alleys and public squares of Annapolis, without the consent of the corporation of said city, or its authorized officer or officers, first had and obtained before such opening, digging up, relaying or obstructing takes place; and the corporation of Annapolis is hereby empowered to enforce the provision of this section, by such penalty or penalties as it deems proper to inflict, consistent with the rights and privileges delegated to it in the charter of said city; and all Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent with this section are hereby repealed.