

official seal affixed thereto, and they shall be exempt from all State, County and Municipal taxation.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the notes or bonds issued hereunder shall be the direct obligation of said town and for the purpose of paying off or retiring them, and the payment of interest thereon the Commissioners are empowered to levy against all the assessable property within the corporate limits of said town, annually, a tax sufficient to meet the interest or any part of the interest on said notes or bonds as it becomes due, and to pay the principal of said obligations as they mature.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1949.

Approved April 22, 1949.

CHAPTER 407

(House Bill 603)

AN ACT to propose an amendment to Section 5 of Article 15 of the State Constitution, title "Miscellaneous", providing that the Jury shall be the Judges of Law as well as of fact in the trial of all criminal cases, except that the Court may pass upon the sufficiency of the evidence to sustain a conviction.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, (three-fifths of all of the members elected to each of the two Houses concurring), That Section 5 of Article 15 of the State Constitution, title "Miscellaneous", be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

SEC. 5. In the trial of all criminal cases, the Jury shall be the Judges of Law, as well as of fact, except that the Court may pass upon the sufficiency of the evidence to sustain a conviction.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the foregoing section hereby proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of this State shall be, at the next general election to be held in this State in the year 1950, submitted to the legal and qualified voters thereof for their adoption or re-