

shall have the power and authority to borrow such sums of money as may be necessary to enforce and make effective its ordinances or resolutions until provision for such expenses can be provided for in the regular appropriations of such city or county.

4. The Mayor and City Council of any city and the County Commissioners of any county may, by ordinance or resolution, provide that the federal rules and regulations fixing rents, controls and other conditions applicable to housing accommodations, including practices relating to changes in form or quality, within its jurisdiction shall be continued until such time as the Mayor and City Council or County Commissioners may be able to provide its own regulations and controls, but no ordinance or resolution passed or adopted under the authority of this Article shall become effective so long as any federal law or regulation is effective and in force relating to the rents of housing accommodations in that particular jurisdiction.

5. The provisions of this Article shall continue in effect only until June 1, 1949, and any ordinance or resolution adopted under this Article shall cease to have any effect and shall thereupon become null and void.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That nothing in this Act shall be construed to take away any power which any city or county now has under the State Constitution or any public local or public general law, but the powers granted by this Act shall be in addition to the powers heretofore granted.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That any and all public general or public local laws, or any part or parts thereof, inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, be and they are hereby repealed to the extent of any such inconsistency.

SEC. 4. The provisions of this Act shall not apply to Anne Arundel, Calvert, Caroline, Carroll, Cecil, Dorchester, Prince George's, St. Mary's, Talbot, Washington, Worcester, Queen Anne's or Wicomico Counties, or any incorporated towns therein.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and being passed by a yea and nay vote, supported