

at large. In making said appointments the Mayor shall appoint one member from each ward affiliated with the party receiving the highest number of votes in the last municipal election in said City, and one member from each ward affiliated with the party receiving the next highest number of votes in said election, one member at large affiliated with the party receiving the highest number of votes at said election, and one member at large affiliated with the party receiving the next highest number of votes in said election. It shall be the duty of the said Commission to make a careful study of the present charter of Hagerstown and either revise or recodify the present charter or prepare an entirely new charter. The charter as revised and recodified by said Commission or the proposed new charter, if the Commission decides to submit a new charter, shall be submitted as so revised or prepared without change or modification to the voters of Hagerstown at a special election before the next general municipal election or at the next general municipal election following the completion of the work of said Commission. If said proposed amended charter or new charter, as the case may be, is approved by a majority of the voters voting thereon then it shall become effective when and as provided therein.

The Mayor and City Council of Hagerstown shall provide for the publication and advertisement of the charter as proposed to be amended or new charter as submitted, and shall also make provision for any expenses necessary for the work of said Commission. The Commission as herein authorized shall be appointed not later than September 1, 1947.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this act shall take effect June 1, 1947.

Approved April 16, 1947.

CHAPTER 588.

(Senate Bill 451)

AN ACT to authorize and empower the County Commissioners of Dorchester County to borrow at one time, or from time to time, upon the faith and credit of said Dorchester County a sum not to exceed a total of Eighty Five Thousand (\$85,000.00) Dollars by the is-