

of plants and industries already located in Allegany County shall be granted for a longer period than one year, but any such exemption or extension may at the discretion of said Commissioners be renewed from year to year. Before granting any extension beyond said ten year period including all exemptions and extensions from year to year thereafter, said Commissioners shall require from the factory, industry, establishment or plant making application therefor, such financial papers and statements as said Commissioners believe to be necessary to enable them to judge of the merits of said application, and any such papers or statements filed with the said Commissioners as part of an application for a renewal of an exemption from taxes shall be retained by said Commissioners and made open and available for public inspection at any reasonable time.

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

Approved April 25, 1947.

CHAPTER 618.

(Senate Bill 210)

AN ACT to propose an amendment to Section 1 of Article 13, title "New Counties", of the State Constitution, relating to changes in the boundaries of Baltimore City and of the Counties and to provide for the submission of said amendment to the qualified voters of this State for adoption or rejection.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland* (three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two House concurring), That Section 1 of Article 13, title "New Counties", of the State Constitution, be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Section 1. The General Assembly may provide, by Law, for organizing new Counties, locating and removing county seats, and changing county lines; but no new county shall be organized without the consent of the majority of the legal voters residing within the limits proposed to be formed into said new county; and whenever a new county shall be proposed to be formed out of portions of two or