

1 first sentence level, it is restricted by the words, any
2 public purpose, which have been the subject of a great
3 number of decisions by courts of last resort, both in
4 Maryland and elsewhere and is essentially what the lawyers
5 at least referred to as the due process test, meaning in
6 substance that no person can be deprived of his property
7 without due process of law, which as further distilled
8 means that unless the money is to be used for the public
9 good, as distinguished for a private good, the State is
10 powerless to extract money from the citizen, so the test
11 here is one which has been accepted as a meaningful test
12 by all jurisdictions, as I say, including our own Court
13 of Appeals in the famous case of Frostburg versus Jenkins.

14 The second sentence fits in with the first:

15 All such indebtedness, reading from Line 3, shall be
16 secured from an irrevocable pledge of the full faith
17 and credit and unlimited taxing power of the State, unless
18 the act of the General Assembly purporting to authorize
19 the creation of such indebtedness concludes such irrevocable
20 pledge, the authorization so authorized shall not be con-
21 sidered an indebtedness of the State.