

acts of 1892, and chapter 569 of the acts of 1894, said section to be numbered 44 A.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the tickets to be used at the election in said town in May, 1896, shall have printed on them the words, "For the amendment to the charter" and "Against the amendment to the charter;" and in order that the citizens of said town shall be familiar with the question to be submitted, it shall be and is hereby made the duty of the Mayor of Lonaconing to have the said proposed amendment published for at least two weeks previous to the said election in two newspapers of general circulation in said town; if upon the return of the judges of said election it shall be found that a majority of the votes cast in favor of the amendment hereby proposed, then the same shall immediately become effective; but if a majority of the votes cast at said election shall be against the amendment, then the same shall be inoperative and void, said additional section to read as follows:

Amendment
to be adver-
tised.

44 A. And the said Mayor and Councilmen are hereby authorized and empowered to appropriate out of certain moneys now in their hands, the same being part of the water tax heretofore levied in said town of Lonaconing, such sum or sums as to the said Mayor and Councilmen may seem proper, for the purchase of such hose, reel or reels, and such other apparatus or equipment for the better protection against fire in said town as the said Mayor and Councilmen may deem necessary; provided, however, that a sum sufficient to pay the rental of said fire hydrants up to July, 1896, shall first be set aside out of said moneys, and only the excess or such portion thereof as to the Mayor and Councilmen may seem necessary shall be appropriated for said apparatus.

Purchase of
fire appara-
tus.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Effective.

Approved April 2d, 1896.

CHAPTER 326.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Section two hundred and ninety-one of Article twenty-two, of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Washington County," sub-title "Keedysville," and to add an additional section thereto, to be known as Section two hundred and ninety one A.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That section two hundred and ninety-one of Article