

Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Howard County", subtitle "Ellicott City", it being also Section Seventy-seven (77) of Chapter 836 of the Acts of 1914; be, and the same is hereby, repealed; that a new Section Seventy-seven (77) shall be enacted as a substitute for said Section Seventy-seven (77) so repealed; and that five new sections, to be known as Sections 81-V, 81-W, 81-X, 81-Y and 81-Z, be added to said Article 14, title and subtitle as aforesaid. That the said new Section Seventy-seven (77), and the five other sections: 81-V, 81-W, 81-X, 81-Y and 81-Z, be, and the same are hereby, enacted to read as follows:

SEC. 77. The Commissioners of Ellicott City may levy, for general purposes, a tax on the property assessed in said city as follows: While the said Commissioners receive as a part of the revenues of said city the liquor licenses as provided by the existing laws, the said tax to be levied by them shall not exceed thirty-five (35) cents on every one hundred dollars of the assessed value there; and, when the said liquor licenses shall no longer constitute a portion of the revenues of said Ellicott City, the Commissioners aforesaid may levy a tax not exceeding seventy-five (75) cents on every one hundred dollars of the assessed value thereof. Said levy shall be made by the Commissioners of Ellicott City on or before the first day of July in each and every year, and said taxes shall be due and payable fifteen days after the publication of the ordinance imposing the same; and, if not paid when due, they shall bear interest at the rate of six per centum per annum until the same are paid. The amount of taxes to be levied in any one year shall be arrived at as follows: a budget shall be made up by the said Commissioners setting forth the different items and the amounts levied therefor, and the amount levied shall be expended upon its particular item of the budget and no other. The Commissioners of Ellicott City may include a "Contingent Account" in their levy, but under no circumstances shall said contingent account exceed in amount ten per cent. of the total amount levied for all the other items of said budget. When the amount of taxes to be levied has been arrived at by said Commissioners for any one year, they shall immediately publish an ordinance levying said tax upon the assessed property within the corporate limits of said Ellicott City. At the same time, they shall publish in some newspaper published in Ellicott City the budget for said year.

SEC. 81-V. That upon a petition of a majority of the resident taxpayers on real estate in Ellicott City, the Commissioners of