

## CHAPTER 237.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Section 212 of Article 3 of the Public Local Laws of Maryland, as codified by T. Scott Offutt, title "Baltimore County," sub-title "Fire Department," so as to provide for the equipment of a fire department, the employment and discharge of officers and employees and the establishment of rules and regulations.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 212 of Article 3 of the Public Local Laws of Maryland as codified by T. Scott Offutt, title "Baltimore County," sub-title "Fire Department," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments so as to read as follows, that is to say:

Section 212. In establishing such department they shall provide all such proper fire engines and instruments, with sufficient equipments necessary therefor, to be used for the preservation of property in said districts, with full power and authority to employ and dismiss all officers and employees necessary in their judgment to serve and use such fire apparatus for its intended purposes; provided, however, that no officer or employee in said department shall be discharged or dismissed therefrom unless for inefficiency, insubordination or other good cause shown and after a public hearing by the said County Commissioners upon written charges filed with them, at which hearing such employee or officer shall have the right to be represented by counsel, to call witnesses and to testify in his own behalf; and further, also, to ordain all needfull rules and regulations for the proper conduct of such officers and employees, and penalties for the infraction thereof; and they shall have authority to levy upon the assessable property of the county such tax as may be necessary to support and maintain such fire department and pay for the necessary fire engines, hose and apparatus.

Approved April 10th, 1918.

## CHAPTER 238.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Chapter 211 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1912, entitled "An