

SEC. 10. *And be it enacted*, That Section 5 of Chapter 493 of the Acts of 1912 is hereby repealed.

SEC. 11. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the first day of May in the year 1915.

Approved April 16th, 1914.

#### CHAPTER 852.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments, Sections 84 and 86, and to repeal Section 86-A of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, Article 4, title "City of Baltimore," sub-title "Charter."

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Sections 84 and 86 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, Article 4, title "City of Baltimore," sub-title "Charter," be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments so as to read as follows:

84. There shall be a Department of Public Improvements of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, the head of which Department shall be the Chief Engineer of Baltimore, who shall be appointed by the Mayor in the mode prescribed in Section 25 of this Article and hold his office as therein provided, except that the first Chief Engineer who shall be appointed in pursuance of this Act may be appointed by the Mayor as soon after the passage of this Act as to him may seem proper, to hold office until the first Monday in October, 1915. The said Chief Engineer of Baltimore shall be a civil engineer of standing in his profession and shall have been in active practice and have had responsible charge of work for at least five years; he shall have supervision of all engineering questions and matters connected with any and every public improvement in Baltimore City or elsewhere, made by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, or any Department, Board or agency thereof, and all plans and specifications for all such public improvements involving any engineering question or questions shall be submitted to him and be subject to his approval. He shall take the place of the City Engineer as Chief Engineer of the Paving Commission and shall advise the Board of Estimates on all engineering matters; he shall perform such other duties as may be imposed upon him by ordinances of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore or by the Board of Estimates not incon-