

59-M. The intention of this Act is to facilitate and expedite the collection of taxes in the town of Centreville, and thereby generally to promote the business of the Town Commissioners in said town, and for that purpose all provisions of this Act shall be literally construed and all powers belonging to collectors of taxes of said town at the date of the passage of the Act of 1896, Chapter 294, so far as the same are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act and its purposes, and so far as the same will facilitate the Town Clerk of said Town in the discharge of his duties hereunder, shall be possessed by and are hereby given to said Town Clerk, but he shall not by implication be held to possess any of the powers of such collectors as might tend to delay him in the discharge of his duties, or render the purposes of this Act more difficult; and it is hereby further provided that nothing in this Act shall be construed to affect the rights, powers or duty of the said Town Commissioners or the collector of taxes to make collection of all Town taxes due and in arrear at the time of the passage of this Act.

61. The said Town Commissioners shall have the power to assess all bonds, certificates of indebtedness or evidences of debt, stocks, shares of stocks, shares and private securities, that are subject to State and County assessment under laws now existing, or that may hereafter be passed, in the manner, and at the same rate as real and personal property shall be assessed by them, or by the Town Clerk; provided, however, that nothing in this Section shall be construed to grant unto said Town Commissioners the power to assess bonds, certificates of indebtedness or evidences of debt, or shares of stock of the character mentioned and described in Section 210, of Article 81, of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland of 1904, at a valuation or rate greater than is provided for in said Section 210 of said Article 81; and the said Commissioners shall have the power to annually make transfers and abatements, and to assess and to add unassessed property, new property and improvements to the assessment list or books of said town, and to make levies thereon.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That nothing in this Act contained is intended or shall be taken or construed as relieving or in any wise abridging the powers and duties of the Town Commissioners of Centreville from any and all of the provisions of Chapter 6, of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1906, known as the Fire Company Tax Law, or amendment thereto; Chapter 225 of the Acts of the General Assembly of