

CHAPTER 178.

AN ACT to add six new sections following Section 402 of Chapter 680, laws of Maryland, 1916, title, "Harford County, Maryland," sub-title, "Havre de Grace," providing for the creation of a Municipal Utility Commission, and defining the duties and qualifications of its members, its jurisdiction and powers.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That six new sections be added to Section 402 of Chapter 680, laws of Maryland, 1916, title, "Harford County," sub-title "Havre de Grace," to be known as Sections 402-A, 402-B, 402-C, 402-D, 402-E and 402-F, so as to read as follows:

Section 402-A. In the event at any time the Mayor and City Council of Havre de Grace shall acquire in any manner whatsoever the property and assets of any person, firm or corporation furnishing electricity, water or other public necessity and service to the City of Havre de Grace, or its citizens, or shall decide to inaugurate the furnishing of electricity, water or other public necessity or service to the City of Havre de Grace, or its citizens, such property and assets when acquired shall be vested for its control, supervision and operation in a commission known as the Municipal Utility Commission.

Section 402B. Said Municipal Utility Commission shall consist of three persons who shall not be less than thirty years of age, and who are citizens and taxpayers of the City of Havre de Grace, and the said persons, hereinafter called commissioners, shall be appointed by the Mayor of Havre de Grace, by and with the consent of City Council, and shall receive as compensation for their services as said commissioners the sum of \$100.00 each per annum. One of the first three of said commissioners appointed shall hold office for two years, one of the first three for four years, and one of the first three for six years, and as the terms of each of the first three shall expire, successors shall be appointed by the Mayor of Havre de Grace, by and with the consent of City Council, for a term of six years, and thereafter at the expiration of the term of any commissioner his successor shall be appointed for six years. In the event, however, of a vacancy occurring in the office of any commissioner through death, resignation or otherwise, a commissioner shall be appointed by the Mayor to fill out the remainder of the term of said member who has died, resigned or otherwise rendered his office vacant.