

and by the Public Improvement Commission of Baltimore City created by Ordinance No. 376, approved July 2, 1920, or by any other Commission created by Ordinance of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore for said purpose.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and having been passed by a yea and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 10, 1931.

CHAPTER 521.

AN ACT to empower the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to establish and maintain reservoirs or lakes in the valley of the Patapsco River in Baltimore County, Carroll County and Howard County, and/or in the valley of the Little Gunpowder River in Baltimore County and Harford County, for the purpose of augmenting, enlarging and improving the municipal water supply of Baltimore City; to exercise certain other powers in connection therewith; to utilize, extend, enlarge, reinforce, adapt, reconstruct, alter, re-equip, or repair for the purposes of this Act, or for other purposes affecting the municipal water supply of Baltimore City, all or any part or parts of the present water system of Baltimore City, or its appurtenances.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore be and it is hereby authorized and empowered to convert the entire valley or basin of the Patapsco River in Baltimore County, Carroll County and Howard County, and its dependencies, and/or the entire valley or basin of the Little Gunpowder River in Baltimore County and Howard County, and its dependencies, or so much of each and all of said valleys or basins as may be necessary and proper for the purposes of this Act, into reservoirs or lakes for augmenting, enlarging and improving the municipal water supply of the City of Baltimore; to create, establish and maintain said reservoirs or lakes and their appurtenances, and to conduct the waters of said reservoirs or lake along such route or routes and in such manner and by such instrumentalities and means as may be necessary or proper for the purposes of this Act to the City of Baltimore and its environs, for the use of said City, and of its inhabitants,