

County generally, accompanied by widespread unemployment due to technological changes in the basic industries in the County; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Labor has recognized the situation in the City of Cumberland and in Allegany County generally and has designated the County as one of the distressed areas of the country; and

WHEREAS, to alleviate the said situation a corporation, known as The Cumberland and Allegany Industrial Promotion Company, has been organized to promote the industrial development of said County and City by seeking to induce new industries to locate therein and to take other steps deemed helpful in advancing such industrial development; and

WHEREAS, The Cumberland and Allegany Industrial Promotion Company is a non-stock, non-profit corporation whose purposes of incorporation are set out above; and

WHEREAS, it is believed that the proper financing of this said corporation is necessary in order that its efficiency, service and public benefits may be increased, and that the County Commissioners of Allegany County and the Mayor and City Council of Cumberland should contribute to the cost thereof; now therefore

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That a new section be added to Article 1 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Allegany County", sub-title "County Commissioners", said new section to follow immediately after Section 98 of said Article and to be known as Section 98A, and to read as follows:*

*98A. The County Commissioners of Allegany County and the Mayor and City Council of Cumberland each are hereby authorized to levy annually and to collect from the assessable property in Allegany County and in the City of Cumberland, respectively, as other taxes are levied and collected, a sum not to exceed \$5,000.00. Said sum, or any part thereof, may be donated to The Cumberland and Allegany Industrial Promotion Company to assist in the industrial promotion of Allegany County and the City of Cumberland and for the other public purposes of said corporation.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1951.*

Approved April 13, 1951.