

said bonds, shall be used by the Mayor and Common Council, for purchasing fire fighting equipment.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Mayor and Common Council of said Town shall have authority to prescribe by ordinance or resolution the form and tenor of such bonds and the date or dates of issuance, provided that such bonds shall be coupon bonds bearing interest at not more than six per cent. which shall be payable semi-annually on the first day of January and July, and provided that such bonds shall be issued in denominations of not less than \$100. and provided that such bonds shall be serial bonds and a portion thereof shall be retired annually and provided further that such bonds shall be signed by the Mayor and Common Council and countersigned by the Town Treasurer.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That for the purpose of paying the principal and interest of said bonds as the same shall become due, the Mayor and Common Council is hereby authorized and directed to levy annually a tax upon the assessable property of Fairmount Heights in such sums as may be necessary and sufficient.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall not become effective until it has been submitted to the qualified voters of the Town of Fairmount Heights, in Prince George's County, at the next regular municipal election on the first Monday in May, 1951. There shall be printed on the ballots to be used at said election the title of this Act and underneath said title on separate lines the words "For Fire Fighting Equipment Bonds", and "Against Fire Fighting Equipment Bonds", with a square opposite the words at the right of each line so that each voter can indicate his or her choice on the question. If a majority of the votes cast on said question shall be "For Fire Fighting Equipment Bonds", then this Act shall thereupon become immediately effective. If a majority of the votes cast thereon shall be "Against Fire Fighting Equipment Bonds", then this Act shall be inoperative and of no effect.

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

Approved April 20, 1951.