mains are laid and street lights erected or not, the Mayor and Council of Pocomoke City shall have power to assess said vacant lots or parcels of land and to levy and collect taxes thereon at the same rate as on property of like kind within the corporate limits of Pocomoke City as they heretofore existed.

- (d) The Mayor and Council of Pocomoke City shall not assess or tax any unimproved agricultural land or farm implements or stock used exclusively for farming purposes within said taxing district, which land, implements and stock are hereby declared exempt from municipal taxes so long as they are so used. Provided, however, that dwellings and other buildings and the land upon which they are erected, and the curtilage and garden used in connection therewith and all unimproved land platted or laid out for building lots as other improvements shall be assessed and taxed as set forth in the preceding paragraphs of this section.
- 191N. All of the inhabitants of the territory annexed to the town of Pocomoke City by this Act shall, in all respects, and to all intents and purposes, be subject to the powers, jurisdiction and authority vested, or to be vested by law, in the Mayor and Council of Pocomoke City, and to all the ordinances now in force, so far as the same may be consistent with the provisions of this Act and the territory so annexed shall, in all respects, be taken and considered as part of the town of Pocomoke City.
- SEC. 2. 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 of Maryland, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 27, 1953.

## CHAPTER 689

(House Bill 432)

AN ACT to repeal Section 111 of Article 93 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Testa-

EXPLANATION: Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken out of bill.