

able to designate in the proper square or box their decision for or against the proposed increased property tax rate. If a majority of the votes cast on said question shall be "For Increased Property Tax Rate", then this Act shall thereupon become immediately effective. If a majority of the votes cast thereon shall be "Against Increased Property Tax Rate", then this Act shall be inoperative.

SEC. 3. *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 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 11, 1953.

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CHAPTER 466

(Senate Bill 565)

AN ACT to repeal Sub-section (a) of Section 36 of the Charter of the City of Cumberland, Maryland (1950 Edition), being Article 1A of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Cumberland" sub-title, "Civil Service Police and Fire", and to enact in lieu thereof a new sub-section (a), and said new sub-section (a) to provide for the establishment and maintenance of adequate Police and Fire Department in said City.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That sub-section (a) of Section 36 of the Charter of the City of Cumberland (1950 Edition being Article 1A of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland) be and the same is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof a new sub-section (a) is hereby added to the City Charter as follows:

*36(a). Said Mayor and City Council shall have full power and authority to establish and maintain a Police Department and Fire Department adequate for the needs of the City of Cumberland and create such ratings therein*

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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.