

CHAPTER 412

(House Bill 717)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 96 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (1953 Edition, being Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Prince George's County", sub-title "Bladensburg", modifying the tax limit of the town of Bladensburg pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of Article 11E of the Constitution of Maryland.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 96 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (1953 Edition, being Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Prince George's County", sub-title "Bladensburg", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

96. (Levy and Collection of Taxes.) (a) Levy and collection of taxes shall be in accordance with the provisions of Sections 70-121, inclusive, of Article 81 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition). (b) The Mayor and Town Council are authorized and empowered to levy annually such taxes upon the assessable property within said corporation as they deem necessary provided that the amount of taxes levied for any one year shall not exceed *One Dollar and fifty [50] cents (\$1.50)* on the one hundred dollars which taxes shall be collected by the Town Treasurer. The levy shall be made by ordinance on or before the thirty-first day of May of each year, and all taxes so levied shall be a lien on any and all property of the person against whom they may be levied. All taxes are due and payable the first day of July in each and every year, and if not paid before the first day of September shall bear interest at the rate of one per centum per month until paid.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the effectiveness of this Act shall be subject to the requirement of Section 5 of Article 11E of the Constitution of Maryland that no such local law shall become effective in regard to a municipal corporation until and unless it shall have been approved at a regular or special municipal election by a majority of the voters of that municipal corporation voting on the question.

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 of Maryland, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 11, 1955.

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.