

*eral Assembly are or may be elected under the provisions of the law of the State of Maryland.*

SECTION 2. *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 25, 1955.

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CHAPTER 557

*Adopted*

(Senate Bill 104)

AN ACT to propose an amendment to the Constitution of Maryland by amending Article XIA, title "Local Legislation", Section 3, so as to authorize County Councils of Counties which adopt a Charter under this Article to sit for the enactment of legislation for not exceeding forty-five days, which need not be consecutive, ~~and to change the requirement concerning the publication of legislation enacted by such County Councils so that only the titles of such legislation need be published once a week for two successive weeks,~~ and to provide for the submission of said amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Maryland for adoption or rejection.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland* (three-fifths of all the members of each of the two Houses concurring), That an amendment of Article XIA, title "Local Legislation", Section 3, of the Constitution of Maryland, be and the same is hereby proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of Maryland, which amended Article, if adopted by the qualified voters of the State of Maryland, as herein provided, shall thereby, by such adoption, be and become a part of the Constitution of Maryland:

ARTICLE XIA

Local Legislation

SEC. 3. Every charter so formed shall provide for an elective legislative body in which shall be vested the law-making power of said City or County. Such legislative body in the City of Baltimore shall be known as the City Council of the City of Baltimore, and in any County shall be known as the County Council of the County. The chief executive officer, if any such charter shall provide for the election of such executive officer, or the presiding officer of said legislative body, if such charter shall not provide for the election of a chief executive officer, shall be known in the City of Baltimore as Mayor of Baltimore, and in any County as the President of the County Council.

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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.