

Amendment proposed by Mr. Frick: "Strike out all after the words 'A Bill' and in lieu thereof insert the following: 'Entitled an Act to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 747 of the Revised Charter of Baltimore city.

'Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 747 of the Revised Charter of Baltimore city be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, so as to read as follows:

'747. It shall be their duty to estimate annually what sum of money will be necessary for each current fiscal year to enable them to discharge the duty imposed on them, and they shall forthwith certify the same to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, who are required, without delay, specifically to assess and levy such amount as shall be sufficient to raise the same clear of all expenses and discounts upon all the assessable property in the City of Baltimore, and cause the same to be collected as all other city taxes; and it is made the duty of the City Collector of Baltimore, and he is required to collect said tax, to be denominated the police tax; and the said Board of Police Commissioners, upon and after qualifying as such, are authorized to make requisitions from time to time upon the Comptroller of the City of Baltimore, or other proper disbursing officer of the corporation, for such sums of money as they may from time to time deem necessary for the purpose of carrying out the objects and intentions of this sub-division of this Article; provided the same shall not exceed in any one year the amount so as aforesaid certified or which may thereafter be certified for that year to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore aforesaid; and in case the said disbursing officer shall not forthwith pay over the amount of each requisition as made, it shall be the duty of the said Board, and they are authorized and required, to issue certificates of indebtedness in the name of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore in such sum as they may deem advisable for the amount of such requisitions, respectively, bearing interest at 6 per cent. per annum, payable at not more than twelve months after date, and signed by a majority of said Board and to raise the money on said certificates by pledging or disposing of the same, which certificates shall be receivable at par in payment of city taxes and be as binding on said corporation and as recoverable against it as if the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore had themselves issued the same; and the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall have no power or authority to levy or collect any tax or appropriate any money for the payment of any police force other than