

Act having enacted the subtitle "Park and Planning Commission," and added said subtitle to the Montgomery County Code (1960 Edition, being Chapter 72 of said Montgomery County Code), and added said subtitle also to 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), said Section 51 (a) being in the subheading "Metropolitan District," amending the laws relating to The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission in order to increase the amount of the mandatory park tax which is to be levied within the Maryland-Washington Metropolitan District in Montgomery County.

**SECTION 1.** *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 51 (a) of Chapter 780 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1959, said Act having enacted the subtitle "Park and Planning Commission," and added said subtitle to the Montgomery County Code (1960 Edition, being Chapter 72 of the said Montgomery County Code), and added said subtitle also to 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Local Laws of Maryland), and said Section 51 (a) being in the subheading "Metropolitan District," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

**51. Tax levies generally.**

(a) Required in Montgomery County. From June 1, 1953, Montgomery County is authorized and directed to levy against all of the property within that portion of the Metropolitan District within Montgomery County assessed for the purposes of county taxation, annually the tax of **[seven cents (7¢)]** ~~ten cents (10¢)~~ **NINE CENTS (9¢)** on each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of assessed valuation. The tax shall be levied notwithstanding the fact that no interest may be due on any said bonds or notes and/or notwithstanding the fact that no bonds or notes whatever have been issued under this subheading. Every sixty (60) days the tax so levied and collected to date by the county shall be remitted to the commission. The proceeds of the said **[seven cents (7¢)]** ~~ten cents (10¢)~~ **NINE CENTS (9¢)** tax, after providing for debt service on bonds issued, pursuant to Sections 44, 45 and 48 of this subheading may be used by the commission within its discretion for the purpose of policing the several parks or other areas under its jurisdiction and/or for the purpose of acquisition, development, beautification, or maintenance of such parks and/or other areas and/or the establishment therein of such playground and recreational facilities as the commission may determine.

**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 being passed upon 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.

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