

more, to provide the Commission with funds necessary for the maintenance, operation, and development of park land so acquired.

(d) Taxes authorized in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties. The County Council of Montgomery County and the County Commissioners of Prince George's County are authorized in their discretion to levy an ad valorem tax not exceeding **five cents (5¢)** *seven cents (7¢)* in Prince George's County and seven cents (7¢) in Montgomery County annually, in addition to all other taxes now levied, for the benefit of and on behalf of the Commission, upon all of the property within the Metropolitan District now assessed for County taxation purposes, as the Metropolitan District is now defined or may hereafter be defined at the time of the levy, excepting therefrom that portion of Montgomery County designated as the Upper Montgomery County Metropolitan District by Section 22A of this sub-title. The County Council and the County Commissioners are authorized to pay the aggregate amount collected by said tax to the Commission as they now pay other funds collected by taxation for the benefit of the Commission. The proceeds of the tax shall be expended by the Commission for the acquisition, maintenance, development, and operation of the park systems in the counties, as well as the debt service required by its outstanding bonds or bonds issued in the future. The Commission shall expend or disburse that proportion of said tax collected from Montgomery County within Montgomery County and that proportion collected from Prince George's County within Prince George's County.

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 by a yea and no vote, supported by three-fifths of all the members of the two houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

April 12, 1965.

CHAPTER 605

(House Bill 216)

AN ACT relating to The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission and the Maryland-Washington Regional District; to amend Section 93(a) and (d) of Chapter 780 of the Laws of 1959, the purpose of this Act being to ~~clarify the procedure governing the submission of the Commission's administrative budget, requiring Commission certification of administrative costs in connection with the levy of the administrative tax and to remove INCREASE the ceiling placed on the administrative tax and to~~ **remove INCREASE the ceiling placed on the administrative tax and to** ~~remove~~ INCREASE the ceiling placed on the administrative tax in Prince George's County. AND IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 93 of Chapter 780 of the Laws of 1959 is hereby amended by the amendments of subsection (a) and (d) to read as follows: