

WHEREAS, Chapter No. 142, Acts of the 1976 General Assembly; amended Section 277(g) of Article 81 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1975 Replacement Volume) confirming and ratifying the authority of the counties to fix the rate of recordation tax applicable to instruments recorded in each of the respective counties; and

WHEREAS, under section 11-15 of the Baltimore County Code, 1968, the county is authorized to have and exercise, within the limits of the county, in addition to any and all taxing power heretofore granted by the General Assembly, the power to tax to the same extent as the state has or could exercise said power, within the limits of the county, as a part of its general taxing power; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 11-15(c) of the Baltimore County Code, 1968, notice of said tax was advertised for three consecutive weeks in two newspapers published in the county and having a general circulation in the county, and after such advertising, a public hearing was held concerning the levy and imposition of said tax.

Approved June 7, 1976.

Bill No. 56-76

AN ACT to impose a charge of ten (\$10.00) dollars per check on any person or other legal entity who presents a worthless check or similar written instrument to Baltimore County, Maryland or to the Director of Finance of Baltimore County, or to any of their agents or employees in payment of any tax, charge, fee, assessment or impost of any kind levied or imposed under any law, ordinance, rule or regulation; to provide for the collection of such charge and enforcement of this act, by adding new Section 11-25.1 to the Baltimore County Code, 1968, title "Finance and Taxation", Article II. Director of Finance, under new Division 4. Worthless Instruments.

Approved July 9, 1976.

Bill No. 58-76

AN ACT to propose that the method of appointing the Chief of Police and the Fire Chief of Baltimore County be revised so as to provide that appointment be made by the County Executive subject to confirmation by the County Council, to provide for their term of office,