

## A BILL

*Entitled, An act to amend the twenty-third section of the eighty-first Article of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to Direct Tax imposed on the Assessable property of the State.*

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the twenty-third section of the eighty-first Article of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to the Direct Tax imposed on the Assessable Property of the State, be and the same is hereby repealed, and the following section enacted in lieu thereof:

23. The County Commissioners in the several counties, and the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, shall in the year eighteen hundred and sixty-two, and annually thereafter, impose a tax, for the use of the State, of twenty-five cents on every hundred dollars worth of assessable property within their respective jurisdictions, according to the valuation thereof.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

## A BILL

*Entitled, An act to provide means for the Defence of the State of Maryland, by raising an amount sufficient to pay the State's proportion of the United States Direct Tax, levied or to be levied for the purpose of suppressing rebellion and maintaining the integrity of the Union.*

WHEREAS, The Government of the United States is now engaged in a war forced upon it by the seditious and unlawful