

CHAPTER 132.

Passed Feb. 25, 1864. AN ACT to add to the fourth Article of the Code

of Public Local Laws the following section empowering the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to raise money and appropriate the same for the relief of the families of those who enlisted under the call of the War Department, or of those who may hereafter enlist as a part of the quota of the city of Baltimore.

Appropriation for relief.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to raise and appropriate, in their discretion, in such manner and at such times as they may deem best, such sums of money as they may deem necessary to provide for the relief of the families of those who are, have been, or may hereafter be in the military service of the United States either by enlistment or draft, as a part of the quota of the city of Baltimore; *provided,* that the amount so raised shall not exceed the sum of three hundred thousand dollars in any one year.

Proviso.

Sinking fund.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore may create a sinking fund to meet the liabilities to be incurred under the first section of this act, and may also levy upon the assessable property of the city of Baltimore, from time to time, such sum or sums as may be necessary to provide therefor, and for the payment of the principal and interest of the liabilities to be incurred under this act, and may pass all ordinances necessary to carry out the purposes of the same.

In force.

Sec. 3. *And be it enacted,* That this act shall take effect from and after the date of its passage.