

## CHAPTER 163..

Passed Feb. 18, 1864. AN ACT to repeal the eight hundred and fifty-third section of Article four of the Code of Public Local Laws, relating to walling Jones' Falls, in the city of Baltimore, and to re-enact the same with amendments.

Repealed. SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the eight hundred and fifty-third section of article four of the Code of Public Local Laws be and the same is hereby repealed, and the following enacted as section eight hundred and fifty-three of said article:

City Council  
empowered to  
compel walls to  
be built.

853. That the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore may, whenever they deem it necessary, compel any individuals, companies, or bodies politic owning property binding on Jones' Falls, within the limits of the city, to wall up such property, so far as the same may bind on the Falls, with a good and sufficient stone wall, to such height as in their judgment the public good may require, and to have the same backed up or filled in with earth, so as to secure the same and the adjacent property from danger of being inundated with water; and the said Mayor and City Council may, whenever they deem it necessary, compel any individuals, companies or bodies politic to rebuild or repair, in a good and sufficient manner, any stone wall owned by them and binding on Jones' Falls, within the city limits; and should any individuals, companies or bodies politic neglect or refuse to wall up Jones' Falls, rebuild or repair any such wall within the limits of the city of Baltimore, when required so to do by the Mayor and City Council, the said Mayor and City Council may cause the same to be done; and they are hereby authorized and empowered to recover the cost of such wall, rebuilding or repairing, by suit at law, from the party or parties who may have refused or neglected to build, rebuild or repair such wall, and the cost of such wall shall be a lien on the property so walled up or repaired.