No 3.

An ordinance to appoint City Commissioners and Port Wardens and to prescribe their duties and fix their compensation

Examined by the joint Committee on enrolment and found correct

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An ordinance to abolish the office of the Commissioners for opening streets in the city of Baltimore, and to confer their powers on the Appeal Tax Court.

Section 1. Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, that the powers and duties of the three Commissioners for opening streets in this city, as now prescribed by ordinance thereof, be and the same except as otherwise provided in this ordinance, are hereby transferred to and made to devolve upon the Appeal Tax Court, the said Court, and the members thereof, from time to time, being hereby declared to be Commissioners for the purpose, which is hereby authorized and required faithfully to perform the said duties and exercise the said powers except as aforesaid, in the same manner and with the same effect to all intents and purposes, as the said Commissioners might lawfully do if this ordinance had never been passed, and the offices of the said three Commissioners for opening streets in the city of Baltimore are hereby abolished; provided always, that the said Commissioners, whose offices are hereby abolished, shall nevertheless have full power and authority, as Commissioners, to close up, within three months, from and after the time for which they were appointed, any unfinished work which they might lawfully have closed up, had they been re-appointed or otherwise continued in office, and had this ordinance not been passed—except so far as the same may be prohibited by any future ordinance—anything herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Section 2. And be it enacted and ordained, That the assessor provided for by ordinance No 22, approved 21st February, 1859, entitled "An ordinance to provide for an Appeal Tax Court, and assessors of tax, and to establish a Board of Arbitration," who shall not be the Clerk of the Appeal Tax Court, under the said ordinance, be and he is hereby required to perform the duties which the Clerk to the said Commissioners for opening streets is now required to perform; and shall receive, instead of the salary now allowed to him as assessor, a salary of nine hundred dollars per annum in full satisfaction of all services required of him as assessor and Clerk, to be paid as the salaries of other city officers are paid. And the said Appeal Tax Court may obtain