

THE STATE OF OHIO.

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GENERAL AND LOCAL LAWS

AND

JOINT RESOLUTIONS,

PASSED BY THE

SIXTIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

*AT THE ADJOURNED SESSION,*

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## AN ACT

To authorize the County Commissioners of Muskingum county to levy a tax to build a bridge.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio,* That the county commissioners of Muskingum county be and hereby are authorized and empowered to levy on the taxable property of said county, such a per centum as will yield a sum not exceeding eight thousand dollars, such levy to be made for the year 1873, and to be collected as other county taxes are collected; such levy to be made at the discretion of said county commissioners.

SEC. 2. The money authorized to be collected under this act shall be appropriated to the construction of a bridge across the Muskingum river, in the township of Franklin, known as Robson's ford, in Coshocton county, near the line of said Muskingum county, and to no other purpose.

SEC. 3. This act shall be in force from and after its passage.

N. H. VAN VORHES,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

ALLAN T. BRINSMADE,

*President pro tem. of the Senate.*

Passed April 9, 1873.

## AN ACT

To amend an act entitled "An act to authorize the council of the incorporated village of Middletown, Butler county, Ohio, to borrow money for the construction of water works for said village, for fire and for other purposes," passed March 29, 1872. (69 O. L., 233.)

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio,* That the council of the incorporated village of Middletown, Butler county, are hereby authorized and empowered to borrow, not exceeding in all, the sum of seventy five thousand dollars, to be used and applied only to the purpose of constructing water works for the protection of said village from fire, and for domestic and other purposes in said village, or twenty-five thousand dollars for procuring and paying for steam fire engine or engines, and other apparatus for protection against fire and extinguishing the same, as may be determined by the voters of said village as hereinafter provided; and for this purpose to issue the bonds of said village, payable in not less than ten or more than twenty years from their respective dates, and bearing interest not exceeding eight per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, which bonds shall be signed by the mayor and countersigned by the clerk, and be by their terms made redeemable at the pleasure of the council; provided, that said bonds shall not be disposed of at less than their par value.

SEC. 2. That for the purpose of paying said bonds, and the interest thereon as the same may become due, or redeeming the same earlier, said council shall be and are hereby authorized to levy a tax annually, upon all the taxable property within said village, not exceeding three and one-half mills on the dollar in any one year; provided, that no such loan shall

be made, bonds issued or tax levied, unless the qualified voters of said village shall, at a special election to be held as hereinafter provided, approve by a majority of the voters of said village voting at such special election, one or the other of the following propositions, namely: Either, first, to borrow seventy-five thousand dollars for water works; or, second, to borrow twenty-five thousand dollars for steam fire engines and other apparatus for protection against fire. In either case, the moneys arising from the tax levied under the act of which this is amendatory to be used for the purpose so approved by said voters, and in reduction, to that extent, of the amount so authorized to be borrowed. Said special election shall be held at the usual places of holding elections in said village, after ten days' notice thereof being given by the mayor of said village, in the way provided for notice of other municipal elections, on the third Monday of April, 1873; and as to time and manner of opening and closing the polls, keeping poll-books, voting, and qualification of voters, judges and clerks, and in all other respects, shall be held and conducted as provided for by and in accordance with the laws regulating the regular municipal election in said village; but each voter may vote in the same ballot on either or both of said propositions; those voting in favor of said loan for water works having printed or written on their ballots the words "\$75,000 for water works—Yes," and those against "\$75,000 for water works—No;" and those voting in favor of said loan for steam fire engines, and other fire apparatus, having printed or written on their ballots the words "\$25,000 for steam fire engines—Yes," and those against "\$25,000 for steam fire engines—No." And in case a majority of the voters voting at said election shall vote in favor of either of said propositions, then the council of said village may borrow as aforesaid the amount so approved by said majority vote, less the amount of money arising from said tax already levied, and use the same for the purpose so indicated and approved, and no other; but in case each of said propositions shall be approved by a majority vote of said voters, then only that proposition receiving the larger number of votes shall be considered approved, and the council shall proceed accordingly.

SEC. 3. The act entitled "An act to authorize the council of the incorporated village of Middletown, Butler county, Ohio, to borrow money for the construction of water works for said village, for fire and other purposes," is hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect and be in force from its passage.

N. H. VAN VORHES,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

JACOB MUELLER,

*President of the Senate.*

Passed April 10, 1873.

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## AN ACT

To authorize the Commissioners of Franklin county to build a bridge across Big Walnut Creek, in said county, and to levy a tax therefor.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio,* That the commissioners of Franklin county be and they are hereby authorized to locate and build a bridge across Big Walnut creek, on the county