

Corporation  
may tax cer-  
tain compan-  
ies.

VII. It shall be lawful for the Corporation of the said City of Hamilton—any thing in the general assessment law to the contrary notwithstanding—to pass By-laws which shall be binding on all persons to impose a duty or duties, or special rate or assessment on all gas companies, insurance companies and agencies of such companies doing business in the city; and, in the case of agencies, to enforce and enact the same in the mode pointed out in the By-law, from the agent or person conducting or managing the same.

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May exempt  
certain manu-  
factories from  
taxes.

VIII. It shall also be lawful for the said Corporation, from time to time, to pass By-laws for the purpose of exempting from taxation for limited periods, to be fixed by such By-laws and the license granted thereunder, any description of machinery used for manufacturing purposes, and to exempt certain descriptions of raw material used in manufacturing business, from taxation, or to fix a special tax therefor, for such period and on such terms as the Corporation may think proper.

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Public Act.

IX. This Act shall be deemed a Public Act.