

ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND (1951 EDITION AND 1956 SUPPLEMENT), TITLE "STATE ROADS", SUB-TITLE "DUTIES AND POWERS", SAID NEW SECTION TO BE KNOWN AS SECTION 62A AND TO FOLLOW IMMEDIATELY AFTER SECTION 62 THEREOF, PROVIDING THAT THE STATE ROADS COMMISSION SHALL PAY CERTAIN REAL ESTATE TAXES ON CERTAIN PROPERTY IT ACQUIRES UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 17 of Article 33A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Eminent Domain", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments; that new Section 17A be and it is hereby added to said Article and title to follow immediately after Section 17 thereof, and both to read as follows:

17. The State, and any municipal or other corporation, commission, board, body or person, which under the laws of this State, has a right to acquire property by condemnation, shall acquire such property, if condemnation proceedings be resorted to, in pursuance of, and under the provisions of this Article, anything in any other Public General Law or Public Local Law or private or special statute to the contrary notwithstanding; provided, however, that nothing in this Article contained *except Section 17A* shall apply to or change the present law or procedure for the opening, closing, widening, or straightening of highways, except that the State Roads Commission may, at its discretion, acquire property by condemnation under the provisions of this Article.

17A. *Whenever the State or any municipal or other corporation, commission, board, body or person including the State Roads Commission which under the laws of this State has a right to acquire property by condemnation, institutes condemnation proceedings against private property, there shall be an abatement of real property taxes in favor of the condemnee AND IN ALL SUCH PROCEEDINGS THERE SHALL BE AN ADJUSTMENT IN REAL PROPERTY TAXES AND THE CONDEMNOR SHALL BE REQUIRED TO PAY OVER TO THE CONDEMNEE ALL SUCH TAXES PAID IN ADVANCE BY SUCH CONDEMNEE CALCULATED either from the time the condemnor takes possession or has the right to take possession of the property condemned or upon the actual transfer of title to the property to the condemnor, whichever occurs first, any provision to the contrary in the laws of this State notwithstanding. Such taxes then accruing shall be paid by the condemnor.*

SECTION 2. *BE IT FURTHER ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,* THAT A NEW SECTION BE AND THE SAME IS HEREBY ADDED TO ARTICLE 89B OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND (1951 EDITION AND 1956 SUPPLEMENT), SAID NEW SECTION TO BE KNOWN AS SECTION 62A AND TO FOLLOW IMMEDIATELY AFTER SECTION 62 THEREOF, AND TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

62A. IN ALL CASES WHERE THE STATE ROADS COMMISSION ACQUIRES BUILDINGS USED FOR RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL OR INDUSTRIAL PURPOSES OR ACQUIRES ALL OR SUBSTANTIALLY ALL OF A PARCEL OF UNIM-