

CHAPTER 387

(House Bill 348)

AN ACT to repeal Section 120 of Article 89B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Supplement), title "State Roads," subtitle "Bonds, Notes or Other Evidence of Indebtedness," subheading "Bridge, Tunnel and Motorway Revenue Bonds," and to enact new Section 120 in lieu thereof, to stand in the place of the section repealed, ~~to authorize the State Roads Commission to construct a toll bridge facility across the Chesapeake Bay at any location designated by the Commission~~ RELATING GENERALLY TO TOLL STRUCTURES ACROSS THE CHESAPEAKE BAY AND THE BALTIMORE HARBOR, AND, IN ADDITION TO SUCH CROSSINGS HERETOFORE CONSTRUCTED, AUTHORIZING THE STATE ROADS COMMISSION TO CONSTRUCT AN ADDITIONAL TUNNEL ACROSS THE BALTIMORE HARBOR, AN ADDITIONAL CROSSING ACROSS THE CHESAPEAKE BAY GENERALLY PARALLEL TO THE EXISTING CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE, A NORTHERN CROSSING OF SUCH BAY BETWEEN MILLERS ISLAND IN BALTIMORE COUNTY AND KENT COUNTY, A SOUTHERN CROSSING OF SUCH BAY BETWEEN CALVERT COUNTY AND DORCHESTER COUNTY, AND TO ISSUE REVENUE BONDS OF THE STATE TO PAY THE COSTS THEREOF AND REQUIRING CERTAIN CONTRACTS THEREFOR TO BE APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 120 of Article 89B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Supplement), title "State Roads," subtitle "Bonds, Notes or Other Evidence of Indebtedness," subheading "Bridge, Tunnel and Motorway Revenue Bonds," be and it is hereby repealed, and that new Section 120 be and it is hereby enacted in lieu thereof, to stand in the place of the Section repealed, and to read as follows:

120.

(A) *In order to remove the present handicaps and hazards on the congested highways in the State, to facilitate vehicular traffic between different sections of the State, to promote the agricultural and industrial development of the State, and to provide for the construction of modern transportation facilities embodying practical safety devices, the State Roads Commission is hereby authorized and empowered to construct, maintain, repair and operate bridges, tunnels and motorways (as hereinafter defined), including a crossing (as hereinafter defined) across the Chesapeake Bay at any location designated by the Commission, and other crossings across such bay, and an additional tunnel across the Baltimore Harbor, and to issue revenue bonds of the State, payable solely from revenues, to pay the cost of such projects* GENERALLY PARALLEL TO THE EXISTING CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE BETWEEN SANDY POINT AND KENT ISLAND, A NORTHERN CROSSING OF THE BAY BETWEEN MILLERS ISLAND IN BALTIMORE COUNTY AND A POINT IN KENT COUNTY, A SOUTHERN CROSSING OF THE BAY BETWEEN CALVERT COUNTY AND DORCHESTER COUNTY, AND AN ADDITIONAL TUNNEL ACROSS THE