

BALTIMORE HARBOR, AND TO ISSUE REVENUE BONDS OF THE STATE, PAYABLE SOLELY FROM REVENUES, TO PAY THE COST OF SUCH PROJECTS. SUCH COMMISSION IS AUTHORIZED TO ESTABLISH CONSTRUCTION PRIORITIES AND DETERMINE THE ORDER OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF SUCH PROJECTS.

(B) IN ORDER TO ESTABLISH THE LOCATION OF SUCH CROSSINGS AND THEIR APPROACHES THEREBY PERMITTING ORDERLY LAND DEVELOPMENT AND TO PERMIT THE ACQUISITION OF NECESSARY RIGHTS OF WAY FOR SUCH PROJECTS AT THE MINIMUM COST TO THE STATE, THE STATE ROADS COMMISSION IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO PERFORM OR HAVE PERFORMED PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING FOR A CROSSING OF THE BAY GENERALLY PARALLEL TO THE EXISTING CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE, A CROSSING OF THE BAY BETWEEN MILLERS ISLAND IN BALTIMORE COUNTY AND A POINT IN KENT COUNTY, A CROSSING OF THE BAY BETWEEN CALVERT COUNTY AND DORCHESTER COUNTY, AND A SECOND TUNNEL ACROSS THE BALTIMORE HARBOR AND THE APPROACHES THERE-TO OF EACH OF SUCH CROSSINGS. THE COMMISSION IS FURTHER AUTHORIZED TO PERFORM OR HAVE PERFORMED SUCH ENGINEERING AND OTHER SERVICES AS ARE NECESSARY TO ENABLE IT TO ACQUIRE THE RIGHT OF WAY FOR SUCH PROJECTS AND IS AUTHORIZED TO ACQUIRE SUCH RIGHT OF WAY. IN ORDER TO PAY THE COST OF SUCH ENGINEERING AND OTHER SERVICES AND TO PAY THE COST OF SUCH RIGHT OF WAY THE COMMISSION IS AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE REVENUE BONDS AS AUTHORIZED IN SECTION 120(A) HEREOF, OR THE COMMISSION MAY PAY SUCH COSTS, OR PARTS THEREOF, FROM ITS CONSTRUCTION FUND OR OTHER APPROPRIATE FUNDS AND BE REIMBURSED THEREFOR UPON THE SALE OF SUCH REVENUE BONDS. AS TO CONTRACTS WHICH ARE NOT LET BY COMPETITIVE BIDDING PROCEDURES, THE STATE ROADS COMMISSION SHALL NOT MAKE ANY CONTRACT FOR ENGINEERING, ARCHITECTURAL, OR CONSTRUCTION STUDIES OR WORK UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION WITHOUT THE PRIOR APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS.

*Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1967.*

SEC. 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, THAT THIS ACT IS HEREBY DECLARED TO BE AN EMERGENCY MEASURE AND NECESSARY FOR THE IMMEDIATE PRESERVATION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY AND HAVING BEEN PASSED BY A YEA AND NAY VOTE SUPPORTED BY THREE-FIFTHS OF ALL THE MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH OF THE TWO HOUSES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THE SAME SHALL TAKE EFFECT FROM THE DATE OF ITS PASSAGE.

Approved April 21, 1967.