or appraisers by a Court of Record to value such property and that upon payment of the amount of such evaluation, to the party entitled to compensation, or into Court, and securing the payment of any further sum that may be awarded by a jury, such property may be taken.]¹

The General Assembly shall enact no law [Sec. 40A. authorizing private property to be taken for public use without just Compensation, to be agreed upon between the parties, or awarded by a Jury, being first paid or tendered to the party entitled to such compensation, but where such property is situated in Baltimore City and is desired by this State or by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore. the General Assembly may provide for the appointment of appraisers by a Court of Record to value such property, and that, upon payment of the amount of such valuation to the party entitled to compensation, or into Court and securing the payment of any further sum that may be awarded by a jury, such property may be taken; and where such property is situated in Montgomery County and in the judgment of and upon a finding by the County Council of said County that there is immediate need therefor for right of way for County roads or streets, the County Council may provide that such property may be taken immediately upon payment therefor to the owner or owners thereof, or into court, such amount as an appraiser appointed by a Court of Record shall estimate to be the fair market value of such property, provided that the Council shall secure the payment of any further sum that may subsequently be awarded by a jury. This section shall not apply in Montgomery County if the property actually to be taken includes buildings or improvements.12

SEC. 40B. The General Assembly shall enact no law authorizing private property to be taken for public use without just compensation, to be agreed upon between the parties or awarded by a jury, being first paid or tendered to the party entitled to such compensation, except that where such property in the judgment of the State Roads Commission is needed by the State for highway purposes the General Assembly may provide that such property may be taken immediately upon payment therefor to the owner or owners thereof by said State Roads Commission or into Court, such amount as said State Roads Commission shall estimate to be of the fair value of said property, provided

²This amendment was submitted by Chapter 604, Acts of 1959, to be acted upon by the voters in November, 1960.

¹This amendment was submitted by Chapter 224, Acts of 1959, to be voted upon by the voters in November, 1960.