

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That as soon after the Duties. appointment of said Board of Road Commissioners as possible, the said Board shall lay off the roads in their districts, in sections of five miles in length as nearly as possible; and before the fifteenth day of May in every year, shall carefully examine the roads, and report to the County Commissioners their condition, and what amount of money will, in their opinion, be sufficient to keep in repair the public roads in said county for the current year.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That as soon as possible To contract. after the said roads are laid off in sections, as required by the preceding section, the said Board of Road Commissioners, after giving at least two weeks' notice, in some newspaper printed in Calvert county, and by hand bills posted throughout the county, for at least two weeks, shall offer at some central place in each Election District in said county, at auction, to the lowest bidder, the contracts for keeping in repair for two years from that date, the said sections of the public roads, and shall award to the lowest responsible bidder the said contracts, *provided, how-* Proviso. *ever,* that before the said contracts are awarded, the contractors shall be required to give bond to the State of Maryland for such amount, and with such security as the said Board of County Road Commissioners shall direct, and the said bonds may be To give bond put in suit for the benefit of any person suffering by reason of the failure of said contractors to comply with their contracts, in keeping in repair the section or sections of the public roads awarded to them.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted,* If no bid is received for repairing any one or more sections of said roads, ^{Employ} which the Board of Road Commissioners shall deem ^{supervisors.} sufficiently low, or if for any other reason, the Board of County Road Commissioners shall deem it most advantageous, to employ supervisors, and hire laborers to repair any section for which no contracts have been made, the Board of County Road Commissioners may employ such number of supervisors as they may deem expedient, and may have power to fix the salaries of all supervisors employed by ^{Fix salaries.}