

estimated by the commission aforesaid as a proper maximum cost of said work; and if all bids shall exceed the amount specified then no contract shall be given, but proceedings may be had anew in the same manner as first provided, and the contractor shall in all cases before entering upon his work be required to execute a contract with the Board of County Commissioners to perform the work according to the specifications, and also give bond to said County Commissioners conditioned for the faithful performance of such contract in a sum not less than the total amount of the contract and with such incorporated surety company as surety as the Board may approve.

Bond.

SEC. 8. *And be it enacted,* That all contracts for work to be done under the provisions of this Act shall be subject to the approval of the commission designated by this Act.

All contracts subject to approval.

SEC. 9. *And be it enacted,* That in order that the State may be assured of the proper execution and performance of each contract made under the provisions of this Act, it shall be the duty of the commission to maintain immediate supervision of such execution and performance of each of said contracts; the cost of such supervision shall be paid to said commission by the Comptroller of the State of Maryland out of the appropriation apportioned to the county and applicable to the particular road or extension being constructed as provided for by this Act.

Commission to supervise.

SEC. 10. *And be it enacted,* That when the work under any such approved contract shall have been fully completed as provided in said plans and specifications, it shall be the duty of the said commission to certify the fact of such completion to the Comptroller of the State of Maryland, together with the statement of the cost of the work under said contract, including therein the amount of the expenses incurred by the Board of County Commissioners for surveys, plans, specifications, printing and advertising, and thereupon the said Comptroller shall, upon such certification, accompanied by the certificate of the said Board of County Commissioners of such county that the payment of the said total amount so certified by said commission has been made, pay to the Board of County Commissioners of such county one-half of the said total amount of cost and expenses so certified, not to exceed one-half of the estimate as hereinbefore provided.

Completion of work.

Certification of same.

SEC. 11. *And be it enacted,* That no portion of the cost of acquiring land for any road, nor any damages caused by

Damages.