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An Act to provide for building a Bridge over the Patapsco Falls, at or near the Thistle Factory.

Passed Feb 17

Preamble

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly by the petition of a number of inhabitants of Baltimore and Anne Arundel counties, that it would tend greatly to their accommodation and convenience, and to that of the public generally, to have a bridge erected over the Patapsco Falls at or near the Thistle Factory.

Bridge may be contracted for

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That John S. Williams and Anthony Smith, of Anne-Arundel county, and George Ellicott, junior, and Benjamin Falmer, of Baltimore county, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners, and are authorised and empowered to contract for, superintend and direct, the building of a bridge over the Patapsco Falls, at the most suitable point at or near the Patterson Viaduct, so as to unite the road of Anne-Arundel with that of Baltimore county leading by the Thistle Factory to the city of Baltimore; *Provided,* that the said commissioners shall not proceed to act unless, in the opinion of the county commissioners of Anne-Arundel and Baltimore counties, the mutual interests and conveniencies of said counties require the erection of said bridge.

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Levy authorised.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the commissioners of Anne-Arundel and Baltimore counties, be and they are hereby authorised and empowered, at their next annual levies, to levy upon the assessable property of said counties a sum of money not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, exclusive of the commission allowed for collection, to be applied to the building of the bridge aforesaid, one moiety of which sum of money shall be levied on the assessable property of Anne-Arundel county, and the other on that of Baltimore county, which said assessment shall be made, levied, collected and paid, to the commissioners or their order, as soon as the same shall be collected, and in case the collector or collectors of either of said counties shall neglect or refuse to pay the sum by him collected, to the said commissioners, or their order, the said commissioners shall have the same remedy for the recovery of the same as is prescribed by law for the speedy recovery of money levied and collected by sheriffs and collectors; *Provided,* that before the said commissioners shall be entitled to receive any money in virtue of this act, they shall enter into bonds to the state of Maryland in the penalty of double the amount of the whole sum hereby authorised to be levied, for the

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