

acter of the expense. Such charges shall be entered in books by election districts in such manner that at any time all expenditures on any road can be easily ascertained, and the auditor who audits the accounts of the County Treasurer shall certify that this provision of law has been complied with or report the facts where it has been violated.

The expression "other permanently improved roads" as used in this section is hereby defined to mean macadam, stone, gravel, shell, concrete or other such permanent modern roads.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 8, 1912.

CHAPTER 109.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments sections 177H, 177 I, 177J, 177P, 177Q, 177S and 177U of Article 16 of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Montgomery County," sub-title "Roads," and to add five new sections to said sub-title, to follow section 177U, and to be known as 177V, 177W, 177X, 177Y and 177Z, providing additional powers and duties for the Board of County Commissioners of Montgomery County in granting franchises or rights in relation to highways, avenues, streets, lanes and alleys.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That sections 177H, 177 I, 177J, 177P, 177Q, 177S and 177U of Article 16 of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Montgomery County," sub-title "Roads," be and the same are hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments so as to read as follows:

177H. All matters pertaining to and affecting the public highways, roads, bridges, avenues, streets and alleys of the county shall be under the general control and supervision of the County Commissioners of Montgomery County, who are hereby given power to enter into and make any and all contracts for material, machinery, implements and equipment for such public highways, and to employ or direct the employment of so many and such agents, superintendents, foremen, inspectors, assistants, mechanics and laborers as may be found necessary for the proper construction, care, improvement and maintenance of the same, and to fix the rate of compensation thereof.