

CHAPTER 339.

AN ACT to give the consent of the State of Maryland to the United States, acquiring by purchase or otherwise, sufficient land in the State of Maryland for the construction of a road or highway, from the District of Columbia to Winthrop Post Office, in Charles county, in the State of Maryland, with the right to condemn such land as it may find necessary for such road or highway.

WHEREAS, The United States Government is now seized and possessed of certain reservations used in connection with the Navy Department of said government, on, or bordering upon the Potomac River, and situate, lying and being within the State of Maryland; and,

WHEREAS, Many employees of said United States Government, who do not live upon said government reservation, find it difficult to reach said reservation by land; and,

WHEREAS, At times the Potomac River is so blockaded with ice as to make access to said reservations extremely difficult for the authorities of said government to visit the same by water; and,

WHEREAS, Upon the petition of a number of said employees, and many citizens of the State of Maryland, it has been proposed that the Congress of the United States construct a road or highway from the District of Columbia, through Prince George's county, and through that portion of Charles county to what is now known as Winthrop Post Office, by way of Fort Washington, Fort Foote, and Indian Head, for the use of said United States Government, and for the use of the public generally, under such regulations, nevertheless, as to the latter use, as said government may prescribe; and,

WHEREAS, A bill is now being formulated for introduction before the Congress of the United States for an appropriation for the necessary survey and estimate cost of such road or highway; therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the consent of the State of Maryland be, and the same is hereby given to the acquisition by the Government of the United States of such land, riparian rights or right of