

ARTICLE 25.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

General Provisions.

- 1. General powers of commissioners.
- 7. Qualification; meetings.
- 11. Repealed.

- 12. Publication of county expenses.

Public Roads.

- 151. Width of roads.

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An. Code, 1924, sec. 1. 1912, sec. 1. 1904, sec. 1. 1888, sec. 1. 1874, ch. 411.
1906, ch. 249. 1910, ch. 664 (p. 35). 1929, ch. 354.

1. The county commissioners of each county in this State are declared to be a corporation and shall have full power to appoint road supervisors, collectors of taxes, trustees of the poor, a clerk to their board, and all other officers, agents and servants required for county purpose not otherwise provided for by law or by the constitution, and they shall have charge of and control over the property owned by the county, and over county roads and bridges, and whenever in their opinion the public interests require or will be thereby advanced, may commit the whole matter of grading and constructing public roads and the repairs thereof, and the construction and repairs of public bridges to the charge of competent and scientifically educated civil engineers, who shall direct and manage all such public works under the immediate control of said county commissioners, and who shall hold office for such time, with such salary, under such bond and subject to such regulations as may be directed by the said county commissioners from time to time, and calculated to secure competent officers and a faithful discharge of duty.

This section and secs. 2, 13 and 14 referred to in construing art. 91, sec. 28—see notes thereto. *Huffman v. State Roads Comm.*, 152 Md. 578.

2.

This section and sec. 14 referred to in holding that Road Directors of Allegany County could condemn land for highway purposes in incorporated town; power to build permanent and temporary bridge. *Brady v. Road Directors*, 148 Md. 506.

See notes to sec. 1.

4.

Invalldity of election does not create vacancy within meaning of this section, but incumbents hold over until successors are elected and qualified. *Benson v. Mellor*. 152 Md. 485.

As to the elimination of grade crossings, see art. 91, sec. 38A, *et seq.*

As to acquisition of air ports by county commissioners, see art. 1A, sec. 28.

As to the purchase of water, sewerage or drainage systems by municipalities, see art. 43, sec. 34S, *et seq.*