

1900, ch. 468.

73. The Board of County Commissioners of Howard County shall appoint, at their first meeting in May of each and every year hereafter, an assessor from each election district of Howard County, who shall continue to hold said office for one year from his appointment; and it shall be the duty of said assessors to inform themselves by all lawful means of all property, stocks or investments in their respective election districts in said county liable to taxation and not included in the list upon the books of the County Commissioners; and they shall value the same at the full cash value thereof, and make return thereof to the County Commissioners on or before the first day of March in each and every year; and the County Commissioners shall allow said assessors so appointed as compensation thereof one dollar and fifty cents for every thousand dollars' worth of property so returned.

P. L. L., 1888, Art. 14, sec. 45. 1880, ch. 423.

74. They are authorized, if they deem it desirable, to rent a home in said county for the purposes of an infirmary for the care of the indigent sick of said county.

1902, ch. 627. 1904, ch. 304. 1908, ch. 369 (p. 862). 1914, ch. 438. 1920, ch. 152.

75. The County Commissioners of Howard County shall provide for all necessary printing and advertising of every kind, character and description, including printing and advertising for primary and general elections, or registration, and they may have such printing and advertising done by contract, or in such other manner as, in their judgment, may best subserve the public interests.

1906, ch. 189.

76. Whenever any matters, or works of internal improvement are hereafter to be done in Howard county, over which the County Commissioners shall have supervision, costing more than three hundred dollars (\$300.00) when the same shall be on roads, bridges, culverts, or matters or work under their control, it is hereby made their duty to let the same by advertisement for sealed bids, which said bids shall be advertised for not less than twice, in one county paper, printed and published in Howard county, giving notice of the nature and kind of work to be contracted for, and the day when said sealed bids will be publicly opened, and upon the day named in said advertisement for opening said bids the said County Commissioners shall open the same publicly in their office at Ellicott City, and shall award the contract therefor to the lowest responsible bidder, or may in their discretion reject any and all bids the County Commissioners may contract for the work advertised, if they can obtain a contract for the work so advertised, at a price lower than the lowest bidder, without re-advertising for said work, and when any bid is accepted require a bond in double the amount of the contract thereby let, said bond to be approved by the County Commissioners before any contract