vided, however, that nothing in this Article contained shall apply to or change the present law or procedure for the opening, closing, widening, or straightening of highways, except that the State Roads Commission may, at its discretion, acquire property by condemnation under the provisions of this Article

Under this section and under the specific authority granted Public Improvement Commission and Port Development Commission of Baltimore City by chs. 373 and 560 of acts 1920, it was not necessary to have ordinance for particular condemnation for harbor development. See notes to sec. 7. Marchant v. Baltimore, 146 Md. 518.

This section referred to in sustaining condemnation proceedings under art. 23, sec. 331, et seq., by Road Directors of Alleghany County. Brady v. Road Directors, 148 Md. 499.

This section referred to in construing Maryland Constitution, art. 3, sec. 40A, to permit Baltimore to condemn property under provisions of City Charter or under this article. Hubbard v. Baltimore, 158 Md. 48.

This section referred to in construing art. S9B, sec. 25. Dunne v. State, 162

See notes to sec. 6.

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Right of agents of State Roads Commission to enter upon private lands to make preliminary surveys; damages. Murphy v. State Roads Commission, 159 Md. 19.