

CHAPTER 60.

(House Bill 22)

AN ACT to authorize and empower the Board of County Commissioners of Montgomery County to appropriate and pay a fund not exceeding \$50,000 as a grant in aid to hospitals located in Montgomery County caring for County Tax eligible indigent patients and not receiving State aid.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Board of County Commissioners of Montgomery County be and it is hereby authorized and empowered to pay to any hospital located in Montgomery County not receiving State Aid and caring for County Tax eligible indigent patients, such sum not exceeding \$50,000 as the Board of County Commissioners shall determine; such sum to be a grant in aid of the said hospital to promote the general public health and welfare of the people of Montgomery County.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of public health and safety, and having been passed upon by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly of Maryland, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved November 10, 1947.

CHAPTER 61.

(House Bill 23)

AN ACT to add twelve new sections to Article 48 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition and 1943 Supp.), title "Inspections", said new sections to be under a new sub-title "State Tobacco Authority", and to be known as Sections 59E to 59P, inclusive, to follow immediately after Section 59D of said Article; and to repeal Sections 51 and 52 of said Article 48 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition and 1943 Supplement), sub-title "Tobacco", establishing the Tobacco Authority of the State of Maryland, defining generally its membership, powers and duties, levying a tax upon leaf tobacco sold in this State, requiring licenses of certain persons engaged in the marketing of leaf tobacco, and providing generally for regulation of the marketing of leaf tobacco in this State.