

deem necessary for defraying the necessary expenses of said Town, and including therein any improvements to the streets of said Town or other purposes which they may consider for the benefit and advantage of the inhabitants of said Town.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1947.

Approved February 14, 1947.

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CHAPTER 25.

(House Bill 156)

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 13 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title, "Harford County", sub-title "Commissioners", to follow Section 214-A of said Article (Higinbothom's Code), and to be known as Section 214-B, to provide for the awarding of contracts by the County Commissioners of Harford County where there are no competitive bids submitted, and to make it an emergency measure to take effect from the date of its passage.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That a new section be added to Article 13 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title, "Harford County", sub-title "Commissioners" (Higinbothom's Code), said new section to be known as Section 214-B and to follow Section 214-A to read as follows:

214-B. Whenever the County Commissioners, Road Engineer or other Department of the County shall have advertised for bids on goods, machinery, material, or supplies in accordance with the requirements of any local law applicable to Harford County, and no bids have been received from responsible bidders, then the County Commissioners, the Road Engineer or other Department of the County, with the approval of the County Commissioners, shall have the power to purchase the goods, machinery, material or supplies for which bids were so requested at the best price obtainable.

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 the public health and safety and having been passed by a ye and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all the members of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved February 14, 1947.