

Assembly of Maryland, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

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CHAPTER 342.

(House Bill 249)

AN ACT to authorize and direct the County Commissioners of Baltimore County to acquire by purchase or condemnation the Bear Creek Bridge, together with all approaches and appurtenant structures and to authorize said County to borrow a sum not exceeding \$750,000 and to issue revenue bonds therefor to carry out such powers and to provide for the payment of the principal and interest of such bonds from the tolls derived from said bridge and to pledge the net receipts from said tolls to the payment of such principal and interest, but in no event to pledge the full faith and credit of the County to said payment.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the County Commissioners of Baltimore County be and it is hereby authorized to exercise the powers conferred on them by Section 77 of Article 89B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), to acquire by purchase or condemnation all the right, title and interest in and to the Bear Creek Bridge, together with all approaches and appurtenant structures, authorized to be built under Section 74 of said Article. In exercising such powers the said County Commissioners shall first attempt to purchase such bridge, approaches and appurtenant structures, but if in the opinion of the County Commissioners a fair and reasonable price cannot be agreed upon by said County Commissioners and the owner or owners of the said bridge, the County Commissioners shall forthwith proceed to exercise their said power of condemnation. The power and authority conferred upon said County by Section 77 of said Article 89B is hereby ratified and confirmed, but if for any reason the powers of condemnation conferred upon the County by said Article cannot legally be exercised, said County may nevertheless acquire said bridge by condemnation pursuant to the provisions of Article 33A of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland (1939 Edition).

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That said County Commissioners of Baltimore County (hereinafter referred to as