

bonds, without reference to any other law heretofore enacted; prescribing the method and manner of selling said bonds at public sale; empowering said county, subject to certain limitations, to sell said bonds at, above or below the par value thereof; empowering said county to refund any of said bonds purchased or redeemed in advance of maturity; empowering said county to contract to levy or to levy, impose or fix unlimited *ad valorem* taxes, to provide funds for the payment of maturing principal and interest on said bonds and said refunding bonds; exempting said bonds and said refunding bonds and the interest thereon from all State, county and municipal taxation in the State of Maryland.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That as used herein, the term "County" shall mean the body politic and corporate of the State of Maryland known as the County Commissioners of Baltimore County; the term "public schools" shall include the construction, reconstruction, improvement, extension, alteration and modernization of public school buildings in the county, including the sites therefor, the cost of acquiring any such sites, architectural and engineering services, including preparation of plans, drawings and specifications for such schools and the development of the grounds, and all customary permanent appurtenances and recreational and pedagogical equipment for such schools; and the term "public facilities" shall mean the following:

(a) The construction, improvement, opening, relocation, grading, resurfacing, widening, extension and drainage of all public roads, streets, highways and sidewalks in the county now or hereafter maintained and operated by or under the jurisdiction of the county, including the acquisition of necessary rights of way, the acquisition of equipment for highway construction, maintenance and planning and engineering services; the planning, design, construction and reconstruction of free bridges constituting parts of said roads, streets or highways; the planning, construction and permanent improvement of any storm water drainage systems necessary in the county;

(b) The construction, reconstruction, extension, improvement, enlargement, alteration and modernization of public buildings in the county which, in the discretion of the Board of County Commissioners, are or may hereafter be needed for the promotion or protection of the public health, safety, welfare or morals or which said Board of County Commis-