

in the state of Maryland; said certificate shall be signed, sealed and acknowledged by a majority of the board of directors of said Washington and Atlantic Railroad Company; and it is hereby made the duty of the secretary of state to record said amended certificate on payment of his lawful fees in that behalf, and thereupon said certificate, when duly certified by the secretary of the state under the great seal of the state, shall be evidence in any of the courts of this state; the filing of said amended certificate shall not be construed to in any wise impair any of the corporate acts of said company performed prior to the filing of said amended certificate, and the Washington and Atlantic Railroad Company shall have the right to construct, operate and maintain a railroad of one or more tracks, upon and over the route designated in said amended certificate of incorporation, and for that purpose shall possess all the rights, powers and privileges of chapter two hundred and forty-two of the laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-six, entitled An act to provide for the creation and regulation of incorporated companies in the State of Maryland, and also of An act entitled an act to enlarge the powers of the Washington and Atlantic Railroad Company, passed January session, eighteen hundred and eighty-two, chapter ninety-one.

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SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That said Washington and Atlantic Railroad Company is hereby authorized and empowered to borrow money upon the faith and credit of said corporation, to an amount not exceeding its authorized capital stock, and to issue for such loans, negotiable bonds or promissory notes, in sums of not less than one hundred dollars, at an agreed rate of interest; and to secure the payment thereof, may pledge the franchises, property, incomes and tolls of such corporation.

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may borrow
money.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Effective.

Approved April 8, 1884.