

**Chapter 317.**

AN ACT to amend the charter of the Annapolis and Elk Ridge Railroad Company, as embraced in the act of eighteen hundred and thirty-six, chapter two hundred and ninety-eight and its several supplements, so as to enlarge the powers of said railroad company, and provide for the extension of its road.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Annapolis and Elk Ridge Railroad Company, a corporation chartered by the act of eighteen hundred and thirty-six, chapter two hundred and ninety-eight and its several supplements, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to extend its railroad, or construct lateral branches therefrom or from its extension to the shores of the Chesapeake bay or any of the tributaries thereof, or towards the same through the counties of Anne Arundel, Calvert, Prince George's, Saint Mary's or Charles, and from any point or points of its said road to Baltimore city, which may be deemed expedient by the president and directors of said company, or a majority of them; and for this purpose may possess and hold any property, real, personal and mixed, and acquire the same by agreement, purchase, condemnation by jury, or otherwise in the manner provided for its acquisition and possession of property in its original charter; and in the construction and operation of said extension or branches, said company shall have all the rights and powers it now has under said original charter; and said company is also empowered to own, purchase or lease, and to operate and conduct excursion resorts and camp-meeting grounds.

Empowered to  
extend railroad

Hold property,  
&c.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That said company is hereby authorized to increase its capital stock to such amount, not to exceed one million dollars, as the president and directors, or a majority of them, may determine is necessary to carry out the provisions of this act, but for no other purpose; and to issue bonds of said company, or certificates of debt, to such amount as said president and directors, or a majority of them, may deem necessary for any of the purposes

Increase stock  
limit.

Issue bonds.