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How effective.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to affect any prosecutions for violations of the existing law, or for offenses against the same committed before the first day of June, A. D. 1906, or affect the liability of any person, firm or corporation incurred under this existing law prior to the first day of June, A. D. 1906.

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

Approved March 30, 1906.

CHAPTER 189.

AN ACT to add a new Section to Article 14 of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Howard County," sub-title "County Commissioners," providing for the letting by contract of certain public works in said county, said section to follow Section 45, and to be designated as Section 45 A.

New section
added.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That a new section be and the same is hereby added to Article 14 of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Howard County," sub-title "County Commissioners," to follow Section 45, and to be designated as Section 45 A., and to read as follows :

Advertise for
sealed bids,
etc.

45 A. Whenever any matters, or works of internal improvement are hereafter to be done in Howard county, over which the County Commissioners shall have supervision, costing more than three hundred dollars (\$300.00) when the same shall be on roads, bridges, culverts, or matters or work under their control, it is hereby made their duty to let the same by advertisement for sealed bids, which said bids shall be advertised for not less than twice, in one county paper, printed and published in Howard county, giving notice of the nature and kind of work to be contracted for, and the day when said sealed bids will be publicly opened, and upon the day named in said advertisement for opening said bids the said County Commissioners shall open the same publicly in their office at Ellicott City, and shall award the contract therefor to the lowest responsible bidder, or may in their discretion reject any and all bids the County Commissioners may contract for the work advertised, if they can obtain a contract for the work so advertised, at a price lower than the