a keeper provided, as required by said Chapter 314, until same was deemed unsafe for public travel, and it was concluded, owing to the great current, that it was more feasible Preamble. to build a bridge at another place, which was done at the sole expense of Queen Anne's county, and the same maintained and a keeper provided alone by said last named county, Talbott county neglecting and refusing any part of same; and

Whereas, It again became necessary to erect said drawbridge, and which was done at the original place, at the cost of Queen Anne's county, from necessity; and said county used and expended in erecting said drawbridge in the year 1905 the sum of \$19,333.55, its total cost, which was raised on its bonds, dated September 1, 1904, bearing five per centum; and

Whereas, It is just, right and equitable, that said Talbot county should, at least, pay the one-half of said sum of \$19,333.55 and interest, and also the additional sum of two hundred dollars per annum for the purpose of paying Talbot county's proportionate part of the expense of maintaining said bridge and paying a keeper of the draw thereof, although some of the people of said Talbot county now claim that the removal of said causeway did not prove to be as beneficial to the people of said county as many of them supposed it would be, and same was an expense made necessary by their previous actions;

Section 1. Therefore be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the County Commissioners of Talbot county be and are hereby authorized, directed and required Levy to be to levy on the assessable property of said Talbot county, and pay over to the County Commissioners of Queen Anne's county the one-half of said sum of \$19,333.55, and interest at the rate of five per centum from September 1, 1904, to wit., \$9,666.77, together with interest at the rate of five per centum per annum from September 1, 1904, said levy to be made at the next annual levy of said county and the annual levies thereafter in such way and for such sums as may be necessary to pay said sum of \$9,666.77 to the said commissioners of Queen Anne's county in eighteen equal annual instalments, \$537.04 $\frac{1}{3}$  on the first day of January in each and every year, together with interest on said amount of

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