

sion of the [the] general assembly of eighteen hundred and seventy-four, chapter four hundred and forty-one, entitled 'An act to repeal an act passed at the January session of the General Assembly of Maryland of eighteen hundred and seventy, chapter ninety-nine', entitled 'An act to lay off streets in Baltimore county adjoining Baltimore city, and to repeal certain acts inconsistent therewith;' and also to repeal an act passed at the January session of eighteen hundred and seventy-two, chapter seventy-eight, entitled 'An act a supplement to an act,' entitled 'An act to lay off streets in Baltimore county adjoining Baltimore city, and to repeal certain acts inconsistent therewith, passed by the General Assembly of Maryland at the January session of eighteen hundred and seventy, chapter ninety-nine;' and also to repeal an act passed at the January session of eighteen hundred and seventy-two, chapter three hundred and eighty-seven, entitled 'An act to repeal section four of an act passed by the General Assembly of Maryland at its January session of eighteen hundred and seventy, chapter ninety-nine, entitled 'An act to lay off streets in Baltimore county adjoining Baltimore city, and to repeal certain acts inconsistent therewith, and so forth,''' be amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

Amended and re-enacted.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That whenever any assessment for benefit for condemning, opening, grading and constructing any street, avenue or alley, or part thereof, or a thoroughfare, exceeds the amount of damages awarded, the assessment for benefits may be credited with such amount of damages, and the difference shall be the amount due and collectable for benefits, and such credit shall be recognized and taken as a full settlement, discharge and payment for all such damages; and any lands for which damages may have been awarded may be entered upon and taken possession of; and any building or improvements of any kind for which damages may have been awarded may be taken possession of for the purpose of opening, grading and constructing such street, avenues or alleys, or part thereof, or thoroughfare; but if the amount of damages awarded in any case shall exceed the

Benefits to be credited.