

burg the number of ballots cast "for issue of bonds", and "against issue of bonds", respectively, and the said Burgess shall announce the returns thereof to the Board of Commissioners of Emmitsburg, who shall also canvass the votes and verify the same.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 10th, 1918.

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#### CHAPTER 74.

AN ACT to assent to the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved July eleventh, nineteen hundred and sixteen, thirty-ninth United States Statutes at Large, page three hundred and twenty-five, entitled "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads, and for other purposes."

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the Legislature of the State of Maryland hereby assents to the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved July eleven, nineteen hundred and sixteen, entitled "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads, and for other purposes," thirty-ninth United States Statutes at Large, page three hundred and fifty-five. The State Roads Commission (being the Highway Department of the State of Maryland) is hereby authorized to enter into all contracts and agreements with the United States Government relating to the construction and maintenance of rural post roads under the provisions of the said Act of Congress, to submit such scheme or program of construction and maintenance as may be required by the Secretary of Agriculture, and do all other things necessary fully to carry out the cooperation contemplated and provided for by the said Act. The good faith of the State is hereby pledged to make available funds sufficient to equal the sums apportioned to the State by or under the United States Government during each of the five years for which Federal funds are appropriated by the said Act, and to maintain the roads constructed under the provisions of the said Act, and to make adequate provisions for carrying out such maintenance.