

CHAPTER 20.

AN ACT to authorize and empower the County Commissioners of Somerset County to borrow money on the credit of said county for the purpose of erecting a High School Building in the town of Crisfield, and heating, furnishing and equipping the same, and to issue bonds for the payment of said money, and to levy taxes upon the assessable property of said county to redeem such bonds and to pay the interest thereon.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That for the purpose of erecting a High School Building in the town of Crisfield on the lot now owned by the Board of County School Commissioners of Somerset County, and for the purpose of heating, furnishing and equipping such building, the County Commissioners of Somerset County be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to borrow money on the credit of said county, to an amount not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars, and to issue coupon bonds therefor, said bonds to be in sums of one thousand dollars each, and to be signed by the president of the Board of County Commissioners of Somerset County, and countersigned by the clerk of said board, with the corporate seal of said County Commissioners attached to every bond so issued; said bonds to be dated the first of April, nineteen hundred and ten, and to bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one-half per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually on the first day of April and the first day of October, in each and every year, until the maturity thereof.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That if the said County Commissioners shall issue bonds as authorized by this Act, that the said bonds shall mature as follows: One thousand dollars thereof in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-five, and annually thereafter the sum of one thousand dollars in every year until all of said bonds shall be matured and shall have been paid; and that when any of said bonds shall be paid it shall be the duty of the said County Commissioners to immediately destroy the same, and should the said County Commissioners or any person having charge and custody of said bonds or the coupons therefrom suffer the same or any part thereof to be reissued after payment, the party or parties so offending shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be subject to prosecution under Article 27 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland for embezzlement, and shall be held liable for an amount equal to that of the bonds or coupons reissued and the costs of the suit.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the said County Commissioners are hereby authorized to sell the bonds by this Act