

CHAPTER 545.

AN ACT to authorize and empower the County Commissioners of Talbot County, in their discretion, to erect, acquire or establish a county home, almshouse or asylum, for the needy or insane, and to issue coupon bonds, in their discretion, to pay therefor.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the County Commissioners of Talbot County are hereby authorized and empowered, in their discretion, to erect, establish and maintain a county home, almshouse or asylum for the poor, needy, feeble-minded or insane, or any of the said class or classes of persons.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of Section 1 of this Act the County Commissioners for Talbot County are hereby authorized to acquire such a site or location and of such size and dimensions as to them may seem proper and most expedient, and to pay for the same by the moneys acquired, as hereinafter provided.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That the County Commissioners of Talbot County, for the purpose mentioned in Sections 1 and 2 of this Act, are hereby authorized and empowered to borrow, in their discretion, on the credit of Talbot County, any sum of money not exceeding ten thousand dollars, and to issue coupon bonds therefor for the sum of five hundred dollars each, to be signed by the president of the Board of said County Commissioners for Talbot County, attested by the Treasurer of said county and the corporate seal of the County Commissioners of Talbot County shall be affixed thereto, which said bonds shall be designated "The County Home Construction Loan Bonds;" and the said bonds shall bear interest at the rate of four per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, accounted from the date of the issuance thereof; and said bonds shall be sold by the said County Commissioners for Talbot County for a sum of not less than the par value of the same.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted,* That the said bonds to be issued under this Act shall mature one in each and every year from the date of issuing the same, and the said bonds, with interest thereon, shall be paid and canceled by the said County Commissioners of Talbot County, one during each and every year, until the whole of the said bonds have been paid; and the date of issue shall be the same on all the bonds issued under this Act.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted,* That to pay and cancel the said bonds issued under this Act the said County Commissioners of Talbot County shall annually levy upon the assessable property