

CHAPTER 53.

AN ACT to ratify and confirm and make valid the action of the Commissioners of Somerset county, Worcester county and Talbot county, in borrowing money and pledging the faith of the counties for its payment, for the purpose of relieving those counties from the draft or drafts of the United States Government, under any of the calls for men, made by the President of the United States, to make valid the bonds issued by said County Commissioners, and to authorize them to levy a tax for the payment thereof. Passed March 20, 1865.

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners of Somerset county, Worcester county, and Talbot county, in the months of October and November, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, did use certain funds of the said counties, and did borrow other moneys of the citizens thereof, for which the bonds of said Commissioners were issued, and the faith of the county pledged for their payment, for the purpose of raising money to relieve said counties from the draft under the call of the President of the United States for men of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, by filling the quotas of said counties, under said call, which moneys so raised were so appropriated. Preamble.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the proceedings of said County Commissioners of Somerset county, Worcester county, and Talbot county, in issuing and borrowing money for the objects aforesaid, and the bonds issued by said County Commissioners, be and the same are hereby made valid, and that said County Commissioners and their successors in office may and shall provide for the payment of the interest on said bonds, and the payment of the principal thereof, in such instalments and at such times as they may adjudge, by the levy of such additional tax upon the taxable property of the county as they may deem necessary for the purpose, and that to effect the objects aforesaid they Bonds made valid.