

Article 5 of Bagby's Annotated Code of the Public Civil Laws of Maryland, title "Appeals and Errors," sub-title "Appeals from Courts of Law," to be known as Section 22-A and to come immediately after Section 22, and to read as follows:

SEC. 22-A. If it appears to the Court of Appeals that a reversible error affects a several item or part only of the matters in controversy, the Court may direct final judgment as to the remaining parts or items thereof, and may direct a new trial as to the said several part or item only.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 24th, 1914.

CHAPTER 150.

AN ACT to carry out the provisions of the amendment adding Section 40-A to Article 3 of the Constitution.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That whenever the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall hereafter provide by ordinance for the laying out, opening, extending, widening or straightening of any street, square, lane or alley, such ordinance may provide that the Commissioners for Opening Streets shall proceed to acquire the property necessary, in accordance with Section 172, and following, of the City Charter, or said ordinance may provide that the property necessary to be acquired for such laying out, opening, extending, widening or straightening, may be acquired by proceedings in the Baltimore City Court under Article 33-A of the Code of Public General Laws and that, after the damages to be awarded shall have been ascertained by such proceedings, then the Commissioners for Opening Streets shall proceed to assess the benefits for said laying out, opening, extending, widening or straightening, in the same manner as if the damages had been assessed by them under Section 175 of the City Charter, and they shall state in the report the amount of damages assessed by the proceedings in Court to the various owners and the expenses of said Court proceedings and their own proceedings. Before any such benefits and damages are assessed there shall be filed with the Commissioners for Opening Streets a profile map or plat showing the grade of the proposed highway, with respect to the abutting property, which map or plat shall be included by the Commissioners in the return to their proceedings.