

in the Circuit Court for such County condemnation proceedings in behalf of the State of Maryland against the said lessees or those claiming under them, and to conduct said proceedings to a finality in accordance with the provisions of said statute, and the respective Circuit Courts for the Counties in which or nearest to which the areas so condemned are located are hereby vested with full power to hear and decide such cases, with right of appeal to the parties as provided by said statute. But no such right, interest or property shall be divested until the compensation awarded in such condemnation proceedings to the lessees or those claiming under them has first been paid to them by the State of Maryland.

SEC. III. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage, and that all Acts or portions of Acts inconsistent herewith, shall be and the same are hereby repealed.

Approved April 3rd, 1914.

CHAPTER 266.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Section 7 of Chapter 412 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at the January Session of 1910, entitled "An Act to repeal Sections 4, 7, 8 and 9 of Chapter 289 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland passed at the January Session of 1908, entitled an Act to provide for the franchise of waterworks for the town of Chestertown, in Kent County, Maryland, and to authorize the appointment of a Water Board for conducting, carrying on and maintaining same, and to issue bonds to pay therefor and to levy an annual tax for the payment of such bond and the interest thereon."

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 7 of Chapter 412 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at the January Session of 1910, be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments to read as follows:

SEC. 7. That on the fourth Monday in April, 1915, at a regular election for a Commissioner of Chestertown, the duly qualified voters of Chestertown entitled to vote for Commissioners thereof, shall elect by ballot a Water Board which shall consist of three persons, each of whom shall have the same