

keeping with the plan followed throughout the United States, in which twenty-two States have already provided at least seventy-three sub-stations for the purposes of meeting the respective soil and climatic conditions, and crop diversifications; and

WHEREAS, Such a combined Agricultural High School and Experiment Farm will logically serve to stimulate the interest in agriculture among our State High Schools thus enabling these institutions to provide a greatly increased number of better prepared students for agricultural courses in our State Agricultural College; and

WHEREAS, In furtherance of the principles herein declared, it is deemed advisable to extend to the people of the Eastern Shore of Maryland the opportunities and facilities for better education in the science of agriculture and horticulture by the establishment of a sub-station of the Maryland Experiment Station at Ridgely, Caroline County, and tuition in such courses of study by adequate provision for scholarships for said purposes; therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the sum of Fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000) be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated for the purchase of the tract of land, containing fifty (50) acres, more or less, immediately adjoining and originally a part of the tract of about six (6) acres of land now occupied by the Agricultural High School at Ridgely, Caroline County, Maryland, and at present used for the practical demonstration of scientific principles of agriculture and horticulture taught in said School, together with all improvements on said land, including dwelling house, tenant house, farm buildings as well as all farm equipment and live stock, all of which said property is now owned by the Board of County School Commissioners of Caroline County, a body corporate; and the Comptroller of the Treasury be and he is hereby authorized and directed to issue his warrant upon the Treasurer of Maryland for the said sum of Fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000), payable to or upon the order of the Board of County School Commissioners of Caroline County, a body corporate; provided, however, that the said Board shall have executed and filed with the Treasurer of Maryland a deed conveying to the State of Maryland an absolute fee simple title to all of the property to be covered by this purchase.