

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 167c, 167d, 167e, 167f and 167j of Chapter 403 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1910, entitled "An Act to add 13 sections to Article 15 of the Code of Public Local Laws, title 'Kent County,' sub-title 'Roads,' to follow Section 167 of said Article 15, to be known as Sections 167a, 167b, 167c, 167d, 167e, 167f, 167g, 167h, 167 i, 167j, 167k, 167 l and 167m, and to repeal all other laws, or parts or sections of all other laws so far and no further as the same conflict or be inconsistent with the provisions of this Act," be and the same are hereby respectively repealed and re-enacted with amendments; and two additional Sections to be known as Sections 167n and 167 o, be and the same are hereby added to follow immediately after Section 167m thereof; said amended Sections and additional Sections to read respectively as follows:

167c. The County Commissioners of Kent County shall on the first day of June, 1916, or as soon thereafter as possible, appoint some competent person, who shall have a sufficient knowledge of civil engineering to enable him to accurately make surveys, plats, profiles and specifications for the grading, draining, maintenance, repairs and reconstruction of the public roads of said county, and also to do the necessary engineering work for the building or rebuilding of bridges, and who shall have at least three years' experience in road engineering work, and who shall be approved as a competent road engineer by the State Roads Commission of Maryland and by the Chief Engineer thereof, to be County Road Engineer for Kent County for the term of four years, at a salary of fifteen hundred dollars a year, payable monthly and the said County Road Engineer shall hold his office and be paid for his services from the day he enters upon his duties, unless removed for cause, as hereinafter provided; and the said County Commissioners shall make such appointments without any reference whatever to the political opinions of the persons so appointed.

167d. The said County Road Engineer shall not be liable to removal from office during his term for any reason other than incompetency, neglect of duty or misconduct in office, and then upon sworn complaint of ten or more resident taxpayers of Kent County, to be filed with the said County Commissioners or upon complaint by the clerk of the said County Commissioners, filed by their direction, and every such complaint shall state specifically the nature and character of the