

ter 689 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-two, being 'An Act to incorporate the Town of Preston in Caroline County,' and all amendments and additions thereto, except as hereinafter retained and preserved, and to re-enact the same with amendments," said new Section to be known as Section 15A and to read as follows:

Section 15A. In the event that the State Roads Commission shall build a State Highway through the main street of said town of Preston, and the said Town Commissioners shall by ordinance direct that the parts of the streets of said town lying between the limits of said State Highway and the line of the sidewalk or curb line of said street shall be paved, curbed and guttered, repaired or extended, the Town Commissioners shall upon a certain day to be named in said ordinance and within three days, inclusive of the day of meeting, proceed to ascertain what amount the contemplated improvement will cost, and they shall have power to provide for the payment of the costs aforesaid by levying and assessing the same generally upon the whole of the assessable property of said town, or specially upon the assessable value of the property benefited thereby and abutting on said street, or in their discretion partly upon the property benefited and abutting upon said street, and the balance upon the whole of the assessable property of said town, and the said Commissioners shall have the power to ascertain and determine what amount of benefits will thereby accrue to any lot or parcel of ground adjacent to said street, or the owner thereof, and what amount said lot or the owner thereof ought to pay, and they shall on the day fixed by said ordinance and within three days inclusive of said meeting so ascertain and determine and their decision in writing shall be filed with the secretary, and shall be by him recorded in a book kept for that purpose, and any proprietor who shall feel himself aggrieved by any such action of the Commissioners, shall be entitled to an appeal at any time within thirty days after the decision of the Commissioners shall be filed as aforesaid, to the Circuit Court for Caroline County, and such appeal shall be heard and determined as appeals from Justices of the Peace are now heard; and all benefits so assessed against any lot or parcel of ground or the owner or occupant thereof, shall be a lien against said lot or parcel of ground from the time said Commissioners shall finally order the work contemplated to be begun, and it shall be the duty of the said Commissioners to