streightened; AND WHEREAS, the grounds thus liable to be CHAP. 208. taken and affected, cannot be improved except at the risk of the improvements being removed without compensation to the owner, and are rendered useless to the proprietor,

while on the other hand they are constantly subject to the navment of undiminished taxes; AND WHEREAS, it is right that the interests of individuals should be protected against

indefinite liabilities of this kind-Therefore.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, power be. and is hereby authorized, to enact, from time to time, tion to ordinances in relation to particular Streets, Lanes, or Alleys, or to parts of particular Streets, Lanes, or Alleys, or generally as to Streets, Lanes, or Alleys, designated and laid out as aforesaid, limiting, under such provisions as to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall seem just and proper, a time within which such Streets, Lanes, or Alleys, shall be opened, extended, straightened, or widened, and providing that if by such time such Streets, Lanes, or Alleys, shall not respectively be opened, extended, straightened, or widened, the owners of the ground to be taken or affected by such opening, extending, straightening, or widening, may build upon, improve, and use, and appropriate such ground to the same effect, and shall have the same rights and claims for compensation, or otherwise, for or in respect of such buildings, improvements, uses, or appropriations, as if the same had been made before the passing of the acts of Assembly before recited; Provided however, that subject to said rights and claims, the said ordinances may provide for the opening, extending, straightening, and widening, such Streets, Lanes, or Alleys, at any time, either specific or generally, subsequent to the time limited as aforesaid.

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An act respecting Appeals in cases of issues sent for trial Paradidants 183 from Orphan's Court.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That in all cases now pending or which may hereafter arise, where an issue or issues have been, or may be sent by any Orphan's court for trial, in any county court of this state, and where any of the parties interested in the