

joining or abutting said present road such deed or grant of lands as may be necessary or may purchase any parcel or strip of land that may be required to accomplish the widening of the road immediately adjacent thereto and parallel with the boundary line of said road where the acquisition of said land will gracefully conform to the lines of said roadway.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted* That the County Commissioners are hereby required to avoid as far as possible the condemnation of land and premises whereupon buildings have been located, but the Commissioners shall not be deterred or hindered in the acquisition by condemnation, purchase or otherwise of any land or premises either improved or not and such improvement shall be no legal obstruction in the way of condemnation, but it shall be the duty of said Commissioners to obtain such land and premises as may be necessary with the least cost possible under the circumstances. The County Commissioners are authorized and empowered to contract with the Washington and Rockville Railway Company of Montgomery County or any company having jurisdiction over said electric railway running along said road for the purposes herein enumerated and upon such terms and conditions as may be necessary for the widening and lighting of said highway along and adjacent to the said line of railway.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the County Commissioners are hereby authorized and empowered to contract with the Baltimore & Ohio Railway Company where said proposed road shall cross over said line of railway in relation to the building and maintaining a bridge across the tracts to conform to the east line of the proposed widening of said road.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the State Roads Commission of Maryland are hereby authorized and empowered to take over said work and condemnation of said land necessary to widen, locate or re-locate said roadway, construct and maintain same in their discretion. That said public improvement may be made by the use of the county and State funds or by either State or county funds or Federal aid as may be determined by the County Commissioners and the State Roads Commission.

SEC. 6. *Be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect on the first day of June, A. D. 1922.

Approved April 13th, 1922.