

the County Commissioners of Montgomery County but not to exceed five per cent. per annum.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the County Commissioners of Montgomery County, Maryland, are either authorized to build this road in any manner and of any type that they may see fit, or to turn the proceeds from the bond issue created by this Act over to the State Roads Commission to be expended by that Commission for the construction of the road authorized in this Act.

Approved April 9, 1924.

CHAPTER 525.

AN ACT to authorize the creation of a State debt in the aggregate amount of thirty-two thousand dollars (\$32,000), the proceeds thereof to be used for purchase of land for State Forest, and providing generally for the issue and sale of certificates of indebtedness evidencing such loan.

(*Vetoed.*)

CHAPTER 526.

AN ACT to provide for taking the testimony of witnesses in Chancery cases orally in open Court in the presence of the Judge or Judges thereof in Montgomery County.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That if the Circuit Court for Montgomery County in the exercise of its sound discretion to serve the ends of justice shall so order on application of a party in interest or of its own motion, instead of the mode of taking testimony in Chancery as provided for in Sections 252 to 260 both inclusive of Article XVI of the Code of Public General Laws, the testimony shall be taken orally in open Court before the judge or judges thereof in the same manner and under the same rules as testimony is now taken in actions at law, as to all or any of the facts or matters relevant in the cause or proceeding; and the evidence so taken shall be written down as delivered by the witnesses by such person and in such manner as the Court may have by order or general rule directed, and when so written down, with such documentary proof as shall have been with it offered and admitted, be filed as part of the proceedings.