

construct waterworks, water mains, pumping outfits and buildings for housing same in the town of Preston to furnish the residents of said town with a good and sufficient supply of water for ordinary purposes and for fire protection; and to make contracts for the construction thereof, and shall have all powers necessary or appropriate for said purpose and for the constructing, working, maintaining and keeping in repairs such waterworks.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the Commissioners of Preston shall have full power and authority to acquire by purchase, lease, gift, devise, or by condemnation in the manner prescribed in Sections 331 to 337, inclusive, of Article 23 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1924 Edition), title "Corporations," sub-title "Condemnation of Property by Corporations," any lands or any interest therein in said town of Preston, which may be needed for the establishment, construction or maintenance of said waterworks.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the Commissioners of Preston shall have power and authority and are hereby required to levy all necessary taxes upon the assessed property within the said town, not exceeding the rate of taxation fixed in the Charter of said town as the same may be, or may from time to time be amended, for the purpose of paying the interest on said bonds, and also for paying the principal thereof.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the Commissioners of Preston be and they are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to install meters for the measurement of water supplied from said water works; and the charge for water or water rents shall be fixed by the Commissioners of Preston but flat rates may be established.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1927.

Approved March 11, 1927.

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## CHAPTER 18.

AN ACT to repeal Section 70-A of Article 21 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Talbot County," sub-title "Easton," as amended by Chapter 458 of the Acts passed by the General Assembly of Maryland at the January session of 1906 and to re-enact the same with amendments.