

680 of the Acts of 1916, said new sections to be numbered Sections 451A-451F and to follow immediately after Section 451 of said Article, conferring certain powers upon the County Commissioners as to roads and bridges, providing for a County Roads Engineer for Harford County and prescribing his duties and powers, and providing for the submission of this Act to the qualified voters of said county for adoption or rejection.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That six sections be and they are hereby added to Article 13 of the Code of the Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Harford County," sub-title "Roads," as said Article was enacted by Chapter 680 of the Acts of 1916, said new sections to be known as Sections 451A-451F to follow immediately after Section 451 of said Article and to read as follows:

451A. The said Commissioners may have prepared by the County Surveyor an official road map of the county, upon which shall be designated all county roads and the distance between intersections of roads or prominent thereon; whenever a new road shall be opened or accepted or an old road altered or closed its location or the fact that it has been altered or closed shall be properly designated on said map. Said Commissioners may, at their discretion, have fingerboards or sign posts placed at road crossings or intersections designating the distance to the nearest prominent point and may give suitable names to the county roads and change the same as they may see fit.

Said County Commissioners shall have the power to let out the repair or maintenance of any road or portion of a road by contract when, in the judgment of the County Roads Engineer, such course is deemed advisable, in which case preference shall be given, where practicable, to the owners of land directly interested in the proper care of such road or roads, and such work shall be done under the supervision of said Roads Engineer. Whenever any taxpayer of the county shall offer to haul stone or other hard material upon any public road of his district at the price paid for the same on such road or in such locality, the County Commissioners shall give such taxpayer the preference, provided such stone or other hard material is in condition for spreading on the road when hauled, if so required by the County Commis-