

easements and franchises acquired, the cost of all machinery and equipment, financing charges, interest prior to and during construction and for six months after completion of construction, cost of traffic estimates and of engineering and of legal expenses, plans, specifications, surveys, estimates of cost and of revenues, other expenses necessary or incident to determining the feasibility or practicability of the enterprise, administrative expense, and such other expenses as may be necessary or incident to the financing herein authorized, the construction of the bridge, the placing of the bridge in operation, and the condemnation of property necessary for such construction and operation, provided, however, that any obligation incurred by George Washington Memorial Bridge Public Corporation for traffic surveys, borings, preparation of plans, specifications and other engineering services which may be utilized in the erection of the bridge and for legal expenses paid or incurred by said Corporation shall be regarded as part of the cost of said bridge.

64R. *Purchase and Condemnation of Property.* The Commission is hereby authorized to purchase within this State and within the State of Virginia, solely from funds provided under the authority of this sub-title, such lands, structures, rights of way, franchises, easements, and other interests in lands, including lands under water and riparian rights, of any person, copartnership, association, railroad or other corporation, or municipality or political subdivision, deemed necessary for the construction of the bridge, upon such terms and at such prices as may be considered by it to be reasonable and can be agreed upon between it and the owner thereof, and to take title thereto in the name of the State of Maryland. In the acquisition of the franchises and rights of the George Washington Memorial Bridge Public Corporation and any other of its property, data and records of whatever description pertaining to or relating to the design and construction of the bridge, the Commission shall not pay or agree to pay therefor more than the cost and expenses of said Corporation for engineering, legal and other services theretofore expended or incurred by or on behalf of the Corporation. Whenever a price cannot be agreed upon, or whenever the owner is legally incapacitated or is absent or is unable to convey valid title or is unknown, the Commission is hereby authorized and empowered to acquire by condemnation any land, rights, easements, franchises, and other property deemed necessary or convenient for the construction or operation