

Provided, however, that no public works herein mentioned shall be purchased, constructed or operated within the area in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties known as the Maryland-Washington Metropolitan District as defined in Chapter 448 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1927 and any amendments thereto, without the approval of the Maryland-National Capitol Park and Planning Commission.

18. Wherever it shall be deemed necessary by the Commission to take or acquire any lands, structures or buildings or other rights, either in fee or as easements, for any public works herein mentioned, the Commission may purchase the same either directly or through its agents from the owner or owners thereof, or, failing to agree with the owner or owners thereof; may condemn the same under the provisions of Article 33A of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland or any amendments thereto.

19. The Commission shall have power to designate and appoint any agent, attorney or other representative, and in particular, any corporation formed by it under the general laws of the State of Maryland as provided in Section 17 (e) hereof, to exercise any of the powers herein granted, and to designate to such agent, attorney or representative the exercise of such powers.

SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted,* That if any clause, sentence, part or parts of this Act, or any section thereof, shall be held to be invalid for any reason, such holding shall not be construed as affecting the validity of the remaining parts of this Act or of any section or part of a section thereof, it being the Legislative intent that the remainder of this Act shall stand, notwithstanding the invalidity of such clause, sentence part or parts of this Act, or of any section or part of a section and it is hereby expressly declared that if the provisions of this Act, authorizing the creation of the Commission known as the "Maryland Emergency Housing and Park Commission", shall be declared to be invalid by any Court of competent jurisdiction, all and every action theretofore taken or done by said Commission under the authority of this Act which shall have been approved and adopted by the Board of Public Works as the act of said Board of Public Works shall nevertheless be valid, and in such event the Board of Public Works shall be authorized to exercise the rights, powers and duties of the Maryland Emergency Housing and Park Commission until June 1, 1934, when the said Maryland