

highways and bridges in Montgomery County as constituent part of the general system of improved State roads, bridges and highways, and in allocating such sum for the construction and improvement of roads and highways the board may, in its discretion, further allocate the portion of said sum to be paid over to the State Roads Commission of Maryland to be expended by said Commission for the construction of roads under the supervision and direction of its engineers and officials, and may further allocate any portion of said sum to be expended by said Board of County Commissioners, its agents and employees, or by contract with said Board of County Commissioners in constructing and improving permanent, improved highways in Montgomery County.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the County Commissioners of Montgomery County are hereby authorized, empowered and directed, in an effort to alleviate the general condition of unemployment existing in Montgomery County and elsewhere through the State of Maryland, to recommend to and cooperate with such contractors as may be engaged in the construction and erection of the improvements hereinbefore provided for to the end that, as far as practicable, the labor, both skilled and unskilled, necessary in the construction work shall be selected from the residents, citizens and inhabitants of Montgomery County and the State of Maryland.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That for the purpose of retiring bonds authorized to be issued under this Act and the payment of interest thereon, the County Commissioners of Montgomery County are hereby authorized and directed to levy against all the assessable property within the said Montgomery County, beginning with the next annual levy following the issuance of bonds hereunder and continuing annually thereafter, on each \$100.00 of such assessable property, such sum or sums as may be necessary to pay the interest on the bonds issued in pursuance of the authority herein granted and to retire said bonds at maturity.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and being passed by a yea and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General