

CHAPTER 628.

(House Bill 645)

AN ACT to add seventeen new sections to Article 91 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1924 Edition), title "Surveyor and State Survey", said new sections to be known as Sections 25 to 41, inclusive, to be under sub-titles "Maryland Coordinate System", "Survey Stations", and "Bureau of Control Surveys and Maps", and to follow immediately after Section 24 of said Article, to describe, define and officially adopt a system of coordinates for designating the positions of points on the surface of the earth within the State of Maryland, exclusive of Baltimore City; to permit the entry of engineers and surveyors, and their representatives, onto private property for the purpose of using survey stations established by or under the direction of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey, or as a part of the Maryland Coordinate System or by any other organization whose survey stations have been established by or in accordance with the requirements of the State Department authorized to administer the Maryland Coordinate System; providing for payment of damages; and providing a penalty for the injuring, defacing and destruction of such marks and monuments; and to authorize the Department of Public Works to establish a Bureau of Control Surveys and Maps; to authorize this Bureau to administer the Maryland Coordinate System and to extend that system; to authorize this Bureau to take over the functions of the present Maryland Mapping Agency and extend its activities; to provide for an Advisory Board to control the activities and operations of this Bureau; and to provide for the expenditure of such available funds as may be necessary for conducting the work of this Bureau.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That seventeen new sections be and they are hereby added to Article 91 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1924 Edition), said new sections to be under sub-titles "Maryland Coordinate System", "Survey Stations" and "Bureau of Control Surveys and Maps", to be known as Sections 25 to 41, inclusive, to follow immediately after Section 24 of said Article, and to read as follows:

Maryland Coordinate System.

25. That the system of plane rectangular coordinates which has been established and adopted by the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey for defining and stating the positions or