

the provisions of any existing law, of providing funds to defray one-half of the cost of construction of such roads.

Each County's proportionate part of the revenue derived from such additional tax shall be determined by using the same ratio which the public road mileage of that County bears to the entire public road mileage in the Counties of the State.

7A. The "One and One-half Cent Lateral Road Gasoline Tax Fund", created by Section 212B of Article 56 of the 1929 Supplement of Bagby's Annotated Code of Maryland, as said Section is amended by this Act, shall be disbursed by the State Treasurer monthly (less such sum to be retained by the Comptroller, as in the judgment of the Comptroller, shall be sufficient to enable him to pay promptly all claims for refunds, and less three-eighths of the appropriation to the Comptroller for maintaining the Gasoline Tax Collection Department in the office of the Comptroller), as follows: three-tenths thereof, less refund exemptions provided by Section 212C of said Article 56, to be credited to the account of the State Roads Commission of Maryland and to be paid by the State Roads Commission to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore in monthly installments for use by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore for any purposes in connection with the construction, reconstruction, maintenance or repair, of the street and highway system of the City of Baltimore, or for the payment of highway debt service, that is to say, interest, sinking fund or maturity requirements with respect to bonds or other evidences of debt issued by the City of Baltimore for the construction, reconstruction, maintenance, or repair of streets and highways in the City of Baltimore. The balance shall be credited to the account of the State Roads Commission of Maryland, to be paid out of the Treasury of the State, only upon the warrant of the Comptroller, and shall be allocated by the State Roads Commission of Maryland, to the Counties of the State, in the proportion which the public road mileage of the several counties bears to the entire public road mileage in the counties of the State, for the following uses and purposes:

(a) For the construction and/or re-construction of Lateral and Farm to Market Roads as a part of the State Roads system, or for the liquidation of debts and debt service obligations which have been incurred by certain counties for the construction of roads as a part of the State system of roads. The State Roads Commission is hereby authorized and directed to ask for bids and enter into contracts in the usual form for the construction