

and Maintenance Fund to be used for the purpose of employing, on reconstruction and maintenance of State and county roads, prisoners in the penal institutions of the State which institutions are under the control and direction of the Board of Correction; and the said Board of Correction is directed to furnish the said Commission, for the above purposes, such prisoners as in its judgment may be safely utilized for such work, the Board to be the sole judge of whether such prisoners can be used for road work with maximum security.

The employment of all prisoners on road work as herein directed shall be subject to all the conditions and requirements now in force for such work, as prescribed in Article 27, Sections 799 to 813, inclusive, of the Code of Public General Laws, provided that the money to be expended hereunder shall provide for maintenance, safekeeping, transportation, wages and all other expenses of utilizing prison labor on the roads or for carrying out the purposes of this Act, it being understood that nothing contained herein shall prevent the State Roads Commission from spending a greater amount than named in this Act if, in its judgment, it shall be found to be for the best interest of the State to do so.

Provided, however, that the Board of Correction shall make arrangements for the employment of any prisoners at any camp or camps in Queen Anne's County and in any other county or counties in which similar camps are now or may hereafter be established, in the harvesting and gathering of any agricultural crops in the respective counties in which such camps are located between August 1st and November 30th each year, except however any such prisoners being utilized or needed by the State Roads Commission for emergency road maintenance work in the respective counties where such camps are located. Persons who employ such prisoners from the Board of Correction shall be required to pay the reasonable value of such labor at the estimated prevailing wage scale for such work in the community where the prisoners are so employed and to give such security therefor as the Board may, in its discretion, determine and require. Persons employing such prison labor shall be authorized to sell the produce harvested by such labor notwithstanding the restrictions imposed by Section 762 of Article 27 of the Annotated Code. Prisoners so employed in the harvesting of crops shall be under the control and supervision of the Board of Correction to the same extent as when employed on the construction and maintenance of roads.

Provided, further, that if the number of prisoners at any camp or camps in Queen Anne's County or in any other