

CHAP. 197. SEC. 9. *And be it enacted,* That this act shall not be so construed as to impair the liens of the State securing her priority in regard to the payment of the current interest upon loans made by the State to the Baltimore and Susquehanna rail road company.

Not to impair State's priority.

CHAPTER 197.

Passed Feb. 15, 1848.

An act to incorporate a Company for constructing a Bridge at Berlin, Frederick County, Maryland, across the Potomac River.

Commissioners named.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Thomas Crampton, M. W. Fositt, William Graham, Robert L. Wright, Adam Householder and Daniel Boland, be and they are hereby commissioners for the purposes hereinafter mentioned, with power to supply any vacancy that may occur by death, resignation or otherwise, that is to say, they, or a majority of them, after twenty days notice in one or more newspapers published at Frederick city, Frederick county, Maryland, and in one or more newspapers published at Leesburg, Loudon county, Virginia, shall or

Notice to be given.

Books to be opened.

may open a book or books, at such place or places as they may designate, for raising subscriptions to construct a bridge at Berlin, Frederick county, Maryland, across the Potomac river, and thereupon they shall proceed to receive subscriptions for the capital stock of the said company which is hereby limited at fifty thousand dollars, to be divided into two thousand shares of twenty-five dollars each, and the said book or books shall be kept open for six consecutive days, and in case of an excess of subscription the commissioners shall deduct from the largest in such manner that no one shall be reduced while any remains larger, and if the whole number of shares shall not have been subscribed for within that time the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall give notice as aforesaid of the time and place or places when and where they will receive subscriptions for the remaining shares.

Commissioners to select site and contract for building bridge.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the said commissioners shall have full power and authority to contract for and cause to be erected the bridge aforementioned, and are hereby authorised to select such site for said bridge as they, or a majority of them, shall in their

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