

SEC. 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, THAT THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT JUNE 1, 1955.

AN ACT TO REPEAL SECTIONS 240B THROUGH 240G, INCLUSIVE, OF ARTICLE 9 OF THE CODE OF PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS OF MARYLAND (1930 EDITION), TITLE "CHARLES COUNTY", SUB-TITLE "ROADS AND BRIDGES", SAID SECTIONS HAVING BEEN ENACTED BY CHAPTER 291 OF THE ACTS OF 1953, AND TO REPEAL AND RE-ENACT, WITH AMENDMENTS, SECTION 173 OF ARTICLE 89B OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND (1951 EDITION), TITLE "STATE ROADS", SUB-TITLE "SPECIAL PROVISIONS AS TO DESIGNATED COUNTIES", ABOLISHING THE ROADS BOARD OF CHARLES COUNTY AND PROVIDING FOR CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM BY THE STATE ROADS COMMISSION.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, THAT SECTIONS 240B THROUGH 240G, INCLUSIVE, OF ARTICLE 9 OF THE CODE OF PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS OF MARYLAND (1930 EDITION), TITLE "CHARLES COUNTY", SUB-TITLE "ROADS AND BRIDGES", SAID SECTIONS HAVING BEEN ENACTED BY CHAPTER 291 OF THE ACTS OF 1953, BE AND THEY ARE HEREBY REPEALED.

SEC. 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, THAT SECTION 173 OF ARTICLE 89B OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND (1951 EDITION), TITLE "STATE ROADS", SUB-TITLE "SPECIAL PROVISIONS AS TO DESIGNATED COUNTIES", BE AND IT IS HEREBY REPEALED AND RE-ENACTED, WITH AMENDMENTS, TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

173. IF ANY COUNTY NAMED IN SECTION 171 OF THIS SUB-TITLE SHALL HEREAFTER DESIRE TO TAKE OVER AND PERFORM THE CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF ITS COUNTY ROADS ON ITS OWN BEHALF AND FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS THEREOF MAY MAKE A WRITTEN REQUEST THEREFOR TO THE STATE ROADS COMMISSION. SUCH REQUEST SHALL BE MADE AT LEAST NINETY DAYS IN ADVANCE OF THE BEGINNING OF THE FIRST STATE FISCAL YEAR AS TO WHICH THE REQUEST IS DESIRED TO TAKE EFFECT. IF THE STATE ROADS COMMISSION SHALL FIND THAT SUCH COUNTY HAS, OR IS REASONABLY ASSURED OF OBTAINING ADEQUATE FACILITIES FOR CONSTRUCTING, RECONSTRUCTING AND MAINTAINING ROADS, AND THAT SUCH COUNTY HAS, OR IS REASONABLY ASSURED OF OBTAINING THE SERVICES OF A ROADS ENGINEER HAVING A DEGREE OF CIVIL ENGINEERING AND EXPERIENCE IN CONSTRUCTING ROADS, OR WHO HAS HAD AT LEAST TEN YEARS PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE IN CONSTRUCTING ROADS IN A SUPERVISORY AND EXECUTIVE CAPACITY, THEN THE STATE ROADS COMMISSION SHALL BY RESOLUTION RELINQUISH AND TRANSFER TO THE COUNTY THE FUNCTIONS OF CONSTRUCTING, RECON-