

54. (a). All persons whose lands will derive benefit from the proposed improvements shall contribute to the cost and expense of making the same; and the said Board of Drainage Viewers shall adjudge thereof, and shall assess against such persons respectively a sum proportional to the benefits accruing to their lands. The sums so assessed shall be sufficient, *less such amounts as may be received from the County Commissioners or from any other source*, to cover the costs of constructing or improving such ditches or drains or other drainage works, the payment of damages awarded (if any), the payment of compensations for adopted improvements previously constructed (if any), the expenses of the Board of Drainage Viewers, and the costs of forming the drainage organization.

(b) *Notwithstanding any other laws to the contrary, the County Commissioners are authorized to contribute all or any part of the cost of any improvements authorized under this sub-title from general funds of the County, or to allocate or use for paying all or any part of the costs of any such improvement any other funds which may become available for such improvements.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That any contributions or payments heretofore made by the Boards of County Commissioners of the several counties toward the cost and expense of constructing the improvements authorized by Article 25, Sections 48 through 118, sub-title "Draining Lands," be and the same are hereby validated and confirmed.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1957.

Approved April 10, 1957.

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## CHAPTER 615

(House Bill 538)

AN ACT to add new Sections 430A, 430B, 430C, 430D and 430E to Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Natural Resources", sub-title "Livestock", to be under the new sub-heading "Livestock Sales", and to follow immediately after Section 430 of said Article, relating to the movement of animals through markets, sales agencies and dealers; generally relating to livestock sales, providing for licenses, and providing further for penalties for violations.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That new Sections 430A, 430B, 430C, 430D and 430E, be and they are hereby added to Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Natural Resources", sub-title "Livestock", said new sections to be under the new sub-heading "Livestock Sales", and

**EXPLANATION:** *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.