

sistants, deputies, auditors, investigators, clerks, stenographers and other employees as he deems necessary for the administration and enforcement of this sub-title. For the purposes of this sub-section, the terms, conditions and limitations contained in Article 64A, known as the merit system, shall be inapplicable and of no force and effect until January 1, 1959; provided, however, that persons employed as provided in this subsection who shall be thus employed on January 1, 1959, [and who shall have been so employed for at least six months prior thereto] shall be considered a part of and shall hold their positions in accordance with Article 64A, known as the merit system.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and having been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of the members elected to each of the two houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved February 16, 1959.

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## CHAPTER 62

(House Bill 101)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 69 (c) of the Code of Public Local Laws of Garrett County (1957 Edition, being Article 12 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Garrett County", sub-title "County Commissioners", relating to maximum amount to be expended by County Commissioners of Garrett County for road machinery and equipment.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 69 (c) of the Code of Public Local Laws of Garrett County (1957 Edition, being Article 12 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Garrett County", sub-title "County Commissioners", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

69.

(c) When deemed necessary or advisable to purchase trucks or other road building or repair equipment it shall not be necessary for said County Commissioners to advertise for bids on the same but they shall make all due and reasonable effort to purchase the same at the lowest possible price and, except in cases where equipment can be obtained to the advantage of said county by purchasing at public or forced sales, shall circularize local or other dealers handling or selling the type of equipment needed, giving all specifications and requirements, and said County Commissioners are hereby authorized to trade in old equipment on new purchases, without

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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.