

*definitely undertakes the planning and construction of a bridge from Assateague Island to the mainland of Worcester County, the Board of County Commissioners of Worcester County is authorized to contribute to the State Roads Commission, in partial payment of the cost of the bridge, a sum of money not in excess of \$250,000.00 to be paid over a period of not exceeding five years without interest. Any such contribution by the Board of County Commissioners is contingent upon the making of a similar and matching contribution to the State Roads Commission by the Assateague Island Bridge Corporation, the Association of Lot Owners, or some other organization, agency, or individual.* THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WORCESTER COUNTY ARE AUTHORIZED AND EMPOWERED TO LEVY A SPECIAL TAX OR ASSESSMENT UPON PROPERTY OWNERS ON THAT PORTION OF ASSATEAGUE ISLAND BETWEEN THE SO-CALLED THOMAS B. McCABE PROPERTY AND THE VIRGINIA BOUNDARY LINE. BEFORE ANY SUCH SPECIAL TAX OR ASSESSMENT IS LEVIED THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHALL GIVE NOTICE OF SUCH PROPOSAL BY PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENT AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK FOR FOUR WEEKS IN AT LEAST ONE NEWSPAPER HAVING GENERAL CIRCULATION IN WORCESTER COUNTY. THE ADVERTISEMENT SHALL STATE A TIME AND A PLACE AT WHICH PERSONS INTERESTED IN THIS PROPOSAL MAY APPEAR AT A HEARING BEFORE THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS. NO SUCH SPECIAL TAX OR ASSESSMENT SHALL BE LEVIED WITHOUT SUCH A SPECIAL HEARING HAVING BEEN HELD. THE PROCEEDS DERIVED FROM ANY SUCH SPECIAL TAX OR ASSESSMENT MAY BE CONSIDERED AS PART OR ALL OF A SIMILAR AND MATCHING CONTRIBUTION BY THE ASSATEAGUE ISLAND BRIDGE CORPORATION UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1959.

Approved April 28, 1959.

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CHAPTER 555

(Senate Bill 470)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 682 of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Crimes and Punishments", sub-title "Department of Correction", providing for the acceptance from the Federal Government of funds, chattels and foodstuffs for use and consumption in any reformatory of this State.

WHEREAS, The Federal Government program for the distribution of food to institutions has been held not to apply to penal institutions; and

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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.