

administration of the Park Board. The County Commissioners may appropriate in the annual budget such sums as may be necessary to purchase land, construct improvements and defray current expenses for the maintenance of the park and recreation areas under the control of the Park Board and for the purposes and programs of the Park Board. Also, the County Commissioners may turn over public properties to these purposes and programs. The acquisition of such property by the County Commissioners may be by purchase, condemnation, gift, grant, bequest, devise or lease, of the fee or any lesser interest, development right, easement, covenant or other contractual right necessary for these purposes and programs. With the approval of the Park Board, the County Commissioners shall have the power to sell or in any manner dispose of said park properties.

(c) The purposes and programs of the Park Board include the preservation and use of real property, and of personal property which is appurtenant and adjunctive thereto, as park and recreation areas. The Board may receive such funds and properties as are provided for it, and shall administer and control the areas and properties deemed by it suitable and useful for these purposes and programs.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1961.*

Approved March 23, 1961.

CHAPTER 120

(Senate Bill 92)

AN ACT to add a new Section 216A to the Code of Public Local Laws of Harford County (1957 Edition, being Article 13 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), entitled "Harford County", sub-title "County Commissioners", creating an Economic Development Commission for Harford County, providing generally for its powers and duties and for the powers and duties of the County Commissioners of Harford County in respect thereto, and relating generally to economic development in Harford County.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That a new Section 216A be and is hereby added to the Code of Public Local Laws of Harford County (1957 Edition, being Article 13 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Harford County", sub-title "County Commissioners", to follow immediately after Section 216 thereof and to read as follows:*

216A. Economic Development Commission.

(a) The Economic Development Commission of Harford County is created for the purpose of advancing the general welfare of the people through programs and activities to develop Harford County's natural resources and economic opportunities pertaining to commerce, agriculture, forestry, transportation, travel, tourism and recreation, and to cooperate and offer assistance to existing industries and businesses, and to promote and encourage the establishing and locating of new industries and businesses in Harford County and