

(d) Sale of refunding bonds.—In pursuance of the foregoing, the Commission has power and authority to offer said bonds for sale at not less than par, either by competitive bids at public sale or, **IF THE COMMISSION BY RESOLUTION SHALL DETERMINE THAT A MORE ADVANTAGEOUS PRICE MAY BE OBTAINED ON SMALLER ISSUES, THEN** by private negotiations; to issue the bonds in serial maturity form or with a single fixed date of maturity; to make the bonds redeemable in whole or in part by lot or otherwise after a certain period or date; to issue them subject to registration as to principal and interest or as to principal only; to establish and maintain, in accordance with existing law, a sinking fund for the payment of the maturing principal and interest of the bonds; to fix the interest rate payable thereon, not exceeding five per centum (5%) per annum, or to prescribe the manner in which the rates of interest shall be determined; and generally, in its discretion, to determine all of the provisions of such bonds.

(e) Guarantee of refunding bonds.—Said bonds, when, as, and if issued in accordance with the foregoing provisions, shall be guaranteed, by endorsement thereon, as to payment of principal and interest by Montgomery County or by the County Commissioners of Prince George's County, as the case may be, in the manner hereinabove prescribed for all other issues of bonds or notes of the Commission. All of the bonds shall be issued upon the full faith and credit of the Commission and upon the full faith and credit of the County guaranteeing them. The principal and interest thereof shall be payable, either directly or through the medium of a sinking fund, from the proceeds of the collection of the taxes hereinabove or hereinafter authorized to be levied to provide funds for servicing the bonds or notes in substitution for which the bonds hereby authorized shall be issued, but the funds needed for principal and interest payments of the bonds hereby authorized shall not be preferred in the division of said tax proceeds over the funds needed for principal and interest payments on any other issue of bonds or notes payable therefrom in accordance with law.

(f) Tax exemption for refunding bonds.—Said bonds hereby authorized, and the interest payable thereon, in the hands of the persons entitled thereto from time to time, shall be and remain forever exempt from all State, county, and municipal taxation of every kind and nature whatsoever in the State of Maryland. None of the provisions of Sections 10 and 11 of Article 31, Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition, as amended from time to time), shall be applicable to or have any bearing upon the manner and method of sale of the bonds or notes authorized in this or any other preceding sections of this sub-title.

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

Approved May 3, 1961.