"Talbot County", sub-title "County Treasurer", to follow immediately after Section 108 thereof and to read as follows:

- 108A. The County Commissioners shall appoint a Deputy Treasurer, with such powers and duties, and at such compensation, as may be determined by the County Commissioners from time to time. In the absence or incapacity of the Treasurer, the Deputy Treasurer for the period of the absence or incapacity shall assume and discharge all the powers, duties, and functions of the Treasurer. INCLUDING THE AUTHORITY TO COUNTERSIGN CHECKS OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.
- SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That all laws and parts of laws inconsistent with this Act are repealed to the extent of any such inconsistency.
- SEC. 3. 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 March 27, 1963.

CHAPTER 142

(Senate Bill 475)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 566 of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Health", sub-title "Hospitals", authorizing REQUIRING the Board of County Commissioners of Somerset County to cooperate in the construction of a nursing home hospital in the Town of Crisfield within the terms of this sub-title by contributing a certain portion of the cost thereof, authorizing this portion of the cost to be paid from general funds or borrowed funds, and providing for the duty of the State Board of Health on this project. AND RELATING TO THE FINANCING OF THIS PROJECT AND REIMBURSEMENT OF ITS FINANCING.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 566 of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Health", sub-title "Hospitals", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments to read as follows:

566.

(a) The State Board of Health is hereby designated as the sole agency to represent the State of Maryland for the purposes of Part C, Title VI of the Public Health Service Act, as enacted by Public Law 725 of the 79th Congress of the United States, and all amendments thereof and additions thereto, providing grants to states for the construction and reconstruction of hospitals and related facilities. There is hereby conferred upon the State Board of Health