

lies to enter into an agreement guaranteeing to defend, hold and save the United States, its officers, agents, servants and contractors, free from any and all damages and claims of damage that may result directly or indirectly from the aforesaid work, dredging and construction; and

WHEREAS, Said project is necessary to the welfare of the citizens of Worcester County and to the industries located therein, the said Pocomoke River binding upon and running through Worcester County for a distance of forty-three miles; and

WHEREAS, Said project will be of little or no benefit to the citizens of Somerset County within the foreseeable future; and

WHEREAS, The County Commissioners of Somerset County have informed the County Commissioners of Worcester County that they will not enter into such an agreement with the United States unless said County Commissioners of Worcester County agree to save harmless the County Commissioners of Somerset County from paying any damages, court costs, counsel fees and other costs that may be incurred under the aforesaid agreement with the United States while the said project is in progress and as a result thereof; now, therefore

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Board of County Commissioners of Worcester County may enter into an agreement with the Board of County Commissioners of Somerset County, to the effect that if the County Commissioners of Somerset County enter into a contract between said County Commissioners of Somerset County on the one part and an agency or agencies of the United States government on the other part, providing for the dredging and construction of a canal or channel in Pocomoke Sound leading to the mouth of the Pocomoke River, all in Somerset County, the County Commissioners of Worcester County shall indemnify and save harmless the County Commissioners of Somerset County from any and all damages, court costs, counsel fees and other costs that may be payable by the County Commissioners of Somerset County by reason of the dredging and construction of this canal or channel and the County Commissioners of Worcester County shall pay any costs incurred by the County Commissioners of Somerset County as a result of the dredging and construction of this canal or channel, whether directly or indirectly incurred.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1964.

Approved April 7, 1964.

CHAPTER 24

(Senate Bill 11)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 211 of Article 89B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1963 Supplement), title "State Roads", sub-title "Bonds, Notes or Other Evidence of Indebtedness", sub-heading "State Highway Construction Bonds, Second Issue", amending the laws concerning the powers of the State Roads Commission to borrow for the use of