

tofore issued or theretofore authorized by resolution of the Board of Public Works to be issued, and the governing bodies of each of the counties and Baltimore City will forthwith levy and collect such a tax at such a rate.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That all matters committed by this act to the discretion of the Board of Public Works are determined by a majority of said Board.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That it is the legislative intention to provide financial assistance for capital expenses which may be incurred after the effective date of this act in the acquisition of land and the construction of public junior or community colleges.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1968.

Approved May 7, 1968.

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CHAPTER 589

(Senate Bill 516)

AN ACT to add ~~10~~ 11 new sections to Article 89B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Replacement Volume and 1967 Cumulative Supplement), title "State Roads," to be under the subtitle "Highway Beautification," and to follow immediately after Section 249 authorizing and relating to the regulation, control, erection, and maintenance of certain billboards and other outdoor advertising devices in zoned and unzoned commercial and industrial areas within 660 feet of the nearest edge of the rights of way of Federal-aid primary system of highways, , AND RELATING TO ON-PREMISE ADVERTISING ON THE INTERSTATE AND EXPRESSWAY SYSTEMS OF HIGHWAYS.

WHEREAS, the State Roads Commission must provide for the control and regulation of outdoor advertising along the Federal-aid primary system of highways, as well as along the Interstate System of Highways, in the State or lose substantial sums of Federal-aid highway funds otherwise allocated to the State, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has heretofore enacted legislation regulating outdoor advertising on the Interstate System, and

WHEREAS, the State Roads Commission did, on January 15, 1968, hold a public hearing for the purpose of evaluating the views of the outdoor advertising industry, garden clubs and other interested parties, and

WHEREAS, the State Roads Commission did, as of December 31, 1967, enter into an agreement with the Federal Highway Administrator relating to the control of outdoor advertising signs along the Federal-aid primary system of highways in order to prevent any possible loss of Federal-aid highway funds to the State Roads Commission. Said agreement was made subject to the enactment of