tated Code of Maryland and all other provisions included in such sections, including the penalty and license provisions, not herein made inconsistent, shall remain in full force and effect.

258.

ON-PREMISE ADVERTISING SHALL BE PERMITTED ON THE INTERSTATE AND EXPRESSWAY HIGHWAY SYSTEMS OF THE STATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF LOCAL ZONING LAWS OR ORDINANCES WHICH ARE IN EFFECT IN THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS THROUGH WHICH THE HIGHWAY TRAVERSES, PROVIDED SUCH LOCAL ZONING LAWS OR ORDINANCES EMBRACE AND REGULATE OUTDOOR ADVERTISING. IN AREAS WHERE NO LOCAL ZONING LAWS OR ORDINANCES ARE IN EFFECT AND IN THOSE AREAS WHERE THE LOCAL ZONING LAWS OR ORDINANCES DO NOT EMBRACE OUTDOOR ADVERTIS-ING, THE STATE ROADS COMMISSION IS AUTHORIZED TO PROMULGATE AND ADOPT RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING ON-PREMISE OUTDOOR ADVERTISING SIGNS ALONG THE INTERSTATE AND EXPRESSWAY HIGHWAY SYSTEMS. SUCH RULES AND REGULATIONS SHALL BE PROMULGATED AND ADOPTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 255 OF THIS ACT. IN AREAS NOT NOW COVERED BY APPROPRIATE ZONING LAWS OR ORDINANCES AND WHICH MAY HEREAFTER ADOPT ZONING LAWS OR ORDINANCES RELATING TO OUTDOOR ADTERMINATION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPE VERTISING, SUCH LOCAL ZONING SHALL PREVAIL.

259.

OTHER THAN THE ON-PREMISE REGULATIONS PROVIDED IN SECTION 258 OF THIS ACT, ON-PREMISE ADVERTISING IS NOT COVERED BY THIS ACT.

## 258. 260. Funding Authorization:

The State Roads Commission shall not expend any funds to control outdoor advertising pursuant to the Highway Beautification Act of 1965 until appropriate matching Federal funds are available under such Act.

## 259. 261. Liberal Construction:

This Act is to be liberally construed so as to carry out the intents and purposes of the Act as set forth in its preamble and in the Declaration of Policy herein.

## 260. 262. Severability:

If any clause, section, or provision of this subtitle shall be held unconstitutional or invalid, such determination shall not be held to affect any other clause, section, or provision hereof.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1968.

Approved May 7, 1968.