

vation of the public health and safety and having been passed by a ye and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

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CHAPTER 669
(House Bill 386)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 50 of Article 25 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Replacement Volume), title "County Commissioners," subtitle "Bridges," to ~~allow counties of the State to post bridges without investigation by or authorization by the State Roads Commission in counties having the facilities to perform such investigation and posting~~ PERMIT CERTAIN COUNTIES OF THE STATE TO INSPECT AND POST WEIGHT LIMITATIONS FOR BRIDGES ON COUNTY ROADS UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 50 of Article 25 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Replacement Volume), title "County Commissioners," subtitle "Bridges," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments to read as follows:

50.

The county commissioners of the several counties of the State, the highways commission thereof or other public boards or officers having control over the public bridges and culverts of said counties, the State Roads Commission in the case of bridges and culverts under its control, the public boards or officers having control over bridges between adjacent counties, turnpikes or plank road companies, and bridge companies or other individuals or corporations owning or controlling private or quasi public bridges used by the public for compensation or otherwise, shall have the power and right to regulate the weight of wagons, trucks, road engines, road rollers, traction engines, threshing machines or other vehicles of any kind passing over such bridges and culverts, and the rate of speed of such vehicles while passing over the same, by posting and maintaining conspicuously at both ends of or entrances to said bridges or culverts signboards with lettering not less than three inches in height, worded as follows, to wit: "Warning—Weight not to exceed (here insert numerals) pounds. Speed not to exceed (here insert numerals) miles per hour," which shall be taken to mean that no vehicle of any kind, as above enumerated, weighing, with or without any load which may be in or upon the same, more than the number of pounds specified on said signboard, shall pass or be drawn, driven, propelled or in any other manner taken over said bridge or culvert, and that no such vehicle of any kind as above enumerated shall pass or be drawn, driven, propelled or in any other manner taken over said bridge or culvert at a greater rate of speed than that specified on said signboard; provided, however, that no such sign or signs shall be