

United States of America, which may be properly allocable to said purpose; empowering and directing the County to contract to levy and to levy, impose and collect annually ad valorem taxes which, in addition to the State and Federal allotments, if any, will provide funds sufficient for the payment of said maturing principal and interest; and exempting the bonds and refunding bonds and the interest thereon and any income derived therefrom from all State, county and municipal taxation in the State of Maryland; and providing that the power to incur indebtedness and issue bonds therefor under the provisions of this Act is additional and alternative authority for borrowing money and shall be regarded as supplemental and additional to powers conferred upon the County by other laws.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That, as used herein, the term "County" shall mean the body politic and corporate of the State of Maryland known as the County Commissioners of Talbot County, and the term "public schools" shall include the construction, reconstruction, improvement, extension, acquisition, alteration, repair and modernization of public school buildings or buildings for school purposes in Talbot County, including sites therefor, the cost of acquiring any such sites, architectural and engineering services, including preparation of plans, drawings and specifications for such schools and the development of the grounds and landscaping thereof, and all customary permanent appurtenances and recreational and pedagogical equipment for such schools.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the County is hereby authorized and empowered to finance the construction of public schools, as defined in Section 1 of this Act, for the use of the Board of Education of Talbot County and, in order to make such financing possible, the County is hereby granted the power and authority to borrow money and incur indebtedness for such purpose, from time to time, in an amount not exceeding the sum of One Million, Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000) and to evidence such borrowing by the issuance and sale upon its full faith and credit of its serial maturity, general obligation, coupon bonds in like par amount, upon the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth. Such bonds may be issued from time to time, in one or more groups or series, as funds for such public school construction or acquisition become necessary, provided, however, that the total debt which may be incurred pursuant to the authority of this Act shall not exceed One Million, Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000).

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That subject to the foregoing limitations, the County shall, before borrowing any money or issuing any bonds pursuant to the authority of this Act, adopt a resolution describing generally by classes the public school or schools for which said borrowing or indebtedness is intended, the amount needed for said purposes, and determining to borrow money or incur indebtedness for all or a part of the amount so needed, and to issue its bonds to evidence such borrowing or indebtedness. Each series or group of said bonds shall be issued to mature in annual serial installments, the last installment to mature not later than thirty (30) years from the date of issue of said group or series. In said resolution, the County shall fix the annual serial maturity plan with respect to the