

equipment during any period of emergency, to hire additional equipment as may be necessary and to pay therefor; to authorize the County Executive to furnish arms and ammunition to the citizens of the County, to provide for the necessary equipment during a period of emergency, to promulgate rules and regulations for the protection of the citizens of the County during a period of emergency; to authorize the County Executive to execute certificates of indebtedness for money borrowed to administer war and emergency powers; and to authorize the County Executive to proclaim, in writing, a state of public emergency and the end thereof; to authorize the County Executive in lieu of the Council to declare and end a state of public emergency and to authorize the County Executive rather than the County Manager to issue orders during such emergency.

*Be It Enacted by the County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland, that—*

*Section 1.* Section 2-18 of Chapter 2 of the Montgomery County Code 1965, titled "Administration," is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

2-18. War and emergency powers—Transportation facilities; parking lots.

The County Executive is hereby authorized and empowered to use or to direct the use of any and all facilities, equipment, buildings and land belonging to the County, including trucks, school buses, motors, tools, buildings and any other equipment and property of the County for such purposes and in such manner that shall be necessary for the welfare and benefit of the citizens of the County for the duration of the war or other public emergency and thereafter and also, subject to any contractual obligations to the contrary, to direct any employees hired by the County in connection with the operation and maintenance of facilities equipment, school buses and trucks to perform such duties, as will, in the discretion of the County Executive aid the war effort and any other emergency use to promote the general welfare and benefit of the County; and the County Executive may prescribe a pecuniary charge against any person, using such equipment, facilities, buildings and land provided by the County Executive in the exercise of authority and power, and in the exercise of this power and authority the County Executive is further authorized to purchase and hire additional equipment to carry out the purposes of this Section and to establish parking lots. The jurisdiction or regulatory power of the Public Service Commission shall not extend to the special transportation facilities, activities and services furnished in the exercise of authority and power by the County Executive and the County Executive is hereby further authorized and empowered to pay for the services, facilities, and the purchase and hire of additional equipment from any fund that may be available or that may be made available or levied for.

*Section 2.* Section 2-20 of Chapter 2 of the Montgomery County Code 1965, titled "Same—Arms and ammunitions; civilian defense personnel; ordinances, etc.," is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

2-20. Same—Arms and ammunition; civilian defense personnel; rules, regulations, etc.

In order to carry out the provisions of Sections 2-19 through 2-21 of this Code the County Executive may provide and furnish arms and ammunition to the citizens of the County or to the militia of the State