

title "County Commissioner," subtitle "General Provisions," to provide for competitive bidding for county work in St. Mary's County, to correct erroneous language therein, and generally relating thereto.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 3(1) of Article 25 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1970 Supplement), title "County Commissioner," subtitle "General Provisions," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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(1) Competitive bidding and bonds; Kent County excepted.—to provide for competitive bidding for any county work and the making and awarding of contracts for the purchase of materials and supplies in excess of \$2,500 in St. Mary's County, in excess of \$1,000 in Harford County, in excess of \$2,500 in Worcester County, in excess of \$1,500 in Allegany County, and in all other counties \$500 and to require bonds in connection with said work or contracts, whenever deemed proper; and if no bids are submitted in response to any calls [therefore] therefor, to place the order as in their discretion they deem best. The provisions of this subsection will not be applicable in Kent County.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1971.

Approved April 23, 1971.

CHAPTER 144
(House Bill 384)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 40 of the Code of Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County (1965 Edition, 1970 Supplement, being Article 19 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "St. Mary's County," subtitle "County Commissioners," as last amended by Chapter 573 of the Acts of 1970; increasing the amount of money the County Commissioners may borrow for airport facilities and generally relating thereto.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 40 of the Code of Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County (1965 Edition, 1970 Supplement, being Article 19 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "St. Mary's County," subtitle "County Commissioners," as last amended by Chapter 573 of the Acts of 1970, be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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The County Commissioners of St. Mary's County are hereby authorized to borrow a sum not exceeding [one] two hundred thousand dollars [(\$100,000.00)] (\$200,000.00) for the purpose of the purchase