

crossing across the Baltimore Harbor and the approaches thereto of each of such crossings. The Commission is further authorized to perform or have performed such engineering and other services as are necessary to enable it to acquire the right-of-way for such projects and is authorized to acquire such right-of-way. In order to pay the cost of such engineering and other services and to pay the cost of such right-of-way the Commission is authorized to issue revenue bonds as authorized in [§ 120(a)] §1(A) hereof, or the Commission may pay such costs, or parts thereof, from its Construction Fund or other appropriate funds and be reimbursed therefor upon the sale of such revenue bonds. As to contracts which are not let by competitive bidding procedures, the State Roads Commission shall not make any contract for engineering, architectural, or construction studies or work under the provisions of this section without the prior approval of the Board of Public Works.

§2. [§ 120A.] Certain toll bridges and Baltimore Harbor Tunnel made part of State highway system.

The Susquehanna River Toll Bridge, the Potomac River Toll Bridge, the Chesapeake Bay Toll Bridge, the Baltimore Harbor Tunnel, sometimes known as the Patapsco Tunnel, and their approaches, are hereby made part of the highway system of the State of Maryland and shall be under the supervision of the State Roads Commission to the same extent and degree as are other State highways within the State.

§3. [§ 120B.] Traffic rules and regulations for such toll bridges and tunnel.

In order to promote safety for users of the four (4) structures, the State Roads Commission is authorized to make, and from time to time change, rules and regulations relating to vehicular and pedestrian traffic using said structures and their approaches. The State Roads Commission shall cause a summary of such rules and regulations to be published at least once a week for two successive weeks in two newspapers of general circulation in the State, and the Commission also shall file a copy of such rules and regulations with the Secretary of State, the Department of Legislative Reference, the Clerk of the Court of Appeals and the Attorney General of Maryland, and in addition shall make available for distribution, free of charge, copies of said rules and regulations at its offices in the City of Baltimore and at the administration buildings at each of the aforementioned structures. The rules and regulations hereby authorized shall become effective fifteen (15) days after the last notice of publication has appeared, unless an effective date subsequent thereto is set forth in such rules or regulations, any statutes to the contrary notwithstanding, provided, however, no such rule or regulation shall become effective until after a public hearing thereon if any person, firm or corporation