

interest in real property no longer needed for a public purpose; and generally relating to the authority of the County Commissioners to transfer real property under certain circumstances.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 25 – County Commissioners

Section 11A

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 25 – County Commissioners

11A.

(a) (1) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the county commissioners of every county may:

(i) Acquire by purchase, gift, devise, bequest, condemnation, or otherwise, any property, or any interest therein, of any kind needed for any public purpose;

(ii) Erect buildings thereon for the benefit of the county;

(iii) Sell at public sale any property when no longer needed for public use; and

(iv) Provide for the financing of any housing or housing project in whole or in part, including the placement of a deed of trust, mortgage, or other instrument upon the property to ensure repayment of funds used to purchase, construct, rehabilitate, or otherwise develop the housing project. The authority provided for in this subparagraph does not limit the existing powers of a county or county commissioners.

(2) Property may not be sold until it has been advertised for at least 20 days prior to the date of sale.

(b) (1) The provisions of this subsection prevail over those of subsection (a) of this section to the extent of any inconsistency.

(2) (i) The provisions of this paragraph apply only to:

1. Carroll County,
2. Charles County,
3. Frederick County,
4. Somerset County, and
5. St. Mary's County.