

CHAPTER 166.

1812.

An act to authorise the Levy Court of Washington county to appoint commissioners to alter, straighten, open and amend a road therein mentioned.

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BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the levy court of Washington county are hereby authorised and empowered to appoint three commissioners, to straighten, open and amend the road leading from Boonsboroug to Funk's-town, if in their opinion the same be necessary and conducive to the public convenience of the inhabitants of said county; which commissioners, when so appointed, or a majority of them, shall be empowered to straighten, open and amend said road, having due regard, as far as is practicable, in the whole course of said road, to shorten the distance so as to do as little injury to private property as will comport with public convenience; *Provided*, They do not lay the same through the yard, garden or orchard of any person or persons, without his, her or their consent, nor more than thirty feet in width. And when said commissioners, or any two of them shall have so laid-out, straightened and amended said road, they shall execute, sign and seal a plain plot of the same, and return it to the justices of the levy court of said county, who shall cause the same to be recorded among the land records of said county; and the said commissioners, or any two of them shall have full power to contract and bargain with any person or persons, over whose lands said road may pass, or adjudge the damages any person may sustain by said road, and make return of all contracts by them made, for land or damages adjudged by them by reason of opening, straightening and amending said road, to the levy court of said county; and on receiving the said plot of the road so laid out, and a return of said contract or contracts, or for damages adjudged, the justices of said levy court shall forthwith proceed to levy on the assessable property of said county, the necessary sum of money for defraying the expense attending the opening, straightening and amending of said road; and the said justices of the levy court shall appoint a supervisor or supervisors for said road, in the same manner, and under the same regulations as other supervisors are appointed in said county.

Levy court authorised to appoint commissioners to lay out said road, its width. They shall return a plot to the levy court. Their powers, &c Expenses shall be levied on the county. Levy court shall appoint supervisors.