

by the Chairman of the State Roads Commission and the Board of Public Works. In the event of a sale of such property, the proceeds shall be accounted for and remitted by the State Roads Commission to the State Treasurer, to be used for the construction, reconstruction, maintenance and repair of the State's system of roads and highways, in accordance with appropriations thereof made by the General Assembly.

An. Code, 1924, art. 91, sec. 28. 1912, art. 91, sec. 34. 1908, ch. 141, sec. 32B. 1931, ch. 539, sec. 3. 1933, ch. 341, sec. 3.

4. The Commission created under this Article is hereby authorized and directed to include in its work of improving the system of main roads of the State, the improvement of such portions of the main roads selected by said Commission as a part of such system as lie inside the limits of the City of Baltimore, provided that on completion of such improvements, the portions of the roads so improved within the city limits shall be city streets under the provisions of the city charter. The said Commission, in addition to the powers hereinbefore mentioned, shall have full powers and be charged with the full duties to select, construct, improve and maintain such a general system of improved State roads and highways, as can reasonably be expected to be completed with the funds herein provided in and through all the counties of this State. The said Commission shall reach its conclusions as to the selection of the roads to be improved on or before May 1, 1909, and shall on or before that date file with County Commissioners of each county for public inspection a certified copy of a map of the State showing plainly thereon the adopted system of main roads to be improved under this Article, which map shall bear the written approval of the said Commission. It may make all preliminary investigations; and do all such preliminary work as shall, in the judgment of such Commission, precede the actual establishment, construction and improvement of said system of roads and highways; adopt and employ such means, methods or system of road construction, improvement and development as may, in its judgment, be best calculated to promote the objects of this Article; condemn, lay out, open, establish, construct, extend, widen, straighten, grade and improve, in any manner, any main road, of the system, in any county of this State and establish or fix the width thereof; cause to be prepared such surveys, plans, drawings, or maps as it may deem proper in the course of its work; acquire for the State of Maryland, by agreement, gift, grant, purchase or condemnation proceedings as prescribed by Sections 206 to 212, inclusive, or by Sections 329 to 335, inclusive, of Article 23 of the Annotated Code of Public General Laws, or as prescribed by the provisions of Article 33A of the Annotated Code of Public General Laws, any private road or roads whatsoever, or private property or rights of drainage for public use, whether belonging to private individuals or to turnpike companies or other corporations, and including any avenues, roads, lanes or thoroughfares, rights or interests, franchises, privileges or easements, that may be, in its judgment, desirable or necessary to complete said system of roads to carry out the purpose of this Article; contract with any person or persons, company or corporation, either private or quasi-public, or municipal, in furtherance of the duties and objects of this Article or any of the same; employ all necessary attorneys, consultants, agents, laborers help and assistants, skilled and unskilled, technical or professional, for the promotion of any of the work with which it is charged hereunder,