

18D. The jury shall be at liberty to consider and assess any special benefits against the defendant or defendants whose property is sought to be acquired; provided said benefits shall not exceed the damages to which the jury might consider said defendant or defendants to be entitled by reason of the taking.

18E. Whenever land sought to be condemned under this Article lies partly in one county and partly in another, or partly in a county and partly in the City of Baltimore, the proceedings therefor may be commenced in either county or in the City of Baltimore, and that Court shall have jurisdiction in which proceedings shall have been first commenced, provided that in case of condemnation proceedings instituted in a court in any county where part only of the lands lie, a copy of the petition, docket entries and judgment certified under the official seal of the Clerk of the Court in which the proceedings were commenced, shall be filed in the Clerk's office of the court of the county or of the City of Baltimore, where any other part of such lands only lie; and on receipt of such copies by the Clerk of such court, it shall be his duty forthwith to enter and index the said petition and other proceedings in his docket, and to record the same as though said case had originated in his court.

18F. The provisions of Sections 18A, 18B, 18C, 18D and 18E apply only to the acquisition of property by the State Roads Commission under this Article and all the provisions of this Article, except in so far as they are modified by Sections 18A, 18B, 18C, 18D and 18E shall apply to such acquisition by said State Roads Commission.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That all laws or parts of laws applicable to the State Roads Commission and inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That if any one or more sections, clauses, sentences or parts of this Act shall for any reason be questioned in any court, and shall be adjudged unconstitutional or invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remaining provisions thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the specific provisions so held unconstitutional or invalid, and the inapplicability or invalidity of any section, clause or provision of this Act in any one or more instances shall not be taken to affect or prejudice in any way its applicability or validity in any other instance.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the imme-