

thereto pursuant to Section 16(3) of this Article, shall be used for the benefit of the counties and municipalities of the State (other than Baltimore City) as follows:

(a) The State Roads Commission shall allocate for the account of each county a share determined by the proportion which the total mileage of county roads in that county bears to the total mileage of county roads in all the counties, but such share shall not be less than the amount the county would have received from the former "One and One-half Cent Lateral Road Gasoline Tax Fund" as apportioned under Section 9 of Article 89B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1943 Supplement), if said Section 9 had not been repealed by this Act, and to that end the respective shares of all counties shall be adjusted proportionately as may be necessary. From the share so determined, the State Roads Commission shall deduct the amount, if any, allocated to a municipality under the next succeeding subdivision (b) hereof. The resulting share shall constitute the county's share for the purposes of this section.

(b) If any municipality which is authorized by law to construct or maintain streets or roads shall request the State Roads Commission in writing not later than thirty days prior to the beginning of any State fiscal year for its share of the funds distributable under this section, the State Roads Commission during such fiscal year shall allocate for the account of such municipality a portion of the share as first determined in Sub-section (a) hereof of the county within which the municipality lies. Such portion shall be determined by the proportion which the total mileage of county roads in the municipality bears to the total mileage of county roads in such county. The portion so determined shall be the municipality's share for the purposes of this section.

(c) The mileage proportions required by Sub-division (a) and, when applicable, by Sub-division (b) of this section shall be computed by the State Roads Commission as of June 30, 1947, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1947, and recomputed as of December 1, 1947, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1948, and as of December 1 of each year thereafter for each next succeeding fiscal year. To assist the Commission in making such computations, the County Commissioners of the respective counties and the appropriate officials of such municipalities as may have requested a share under said Sub-division (b), shall, not later than December 31 of each year, beginning with December 31, 1948, make a report to the Commission, in the form required by it, showing the mile-