

shall find that the most expeditious method of acquiring the said land for the national monument would be to transfer and donate the necessary funds to the United States for such purposes, the Board may transfer and donate to the United States, on behalf of the State of Maryland, any of the funds which are available or which may hereafter become available to it for purposes of this section upon condition that such funds, when so conveyed to the United States, shall be used solely by the United States for the acquisition of land and interests in land, and expenses incidental thereto, required for establishment of the Harpers Ferry National Monument.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Board of Public Works may purchase or acquire otherwise, in its discretion, in the name of the State of Maryland, out of any funds which may be set aside for such purchases, the land and interests in land which are necessary to be acquired for establishment of the Harpers Ferry National Monument, authorized to be established by the act of Congress approved June 30, 1944, (58 Stat. 645). Upon acquisition of the properties, the Board of Public Works is authorized to convey all right, title, and interest therein whatsoever held by the State of Maryland to the United States for purposes of the Harpers Ferry National Monument. In the event the Board of Public Works finds that the most expeditious method of acquiring the land for the national monument would be to transfer and donate the necessary funds to the United States for such purposes, the Board may transfer and donate to the United States, on behalf of the State of Maryland, any of the funds which are available or which may hereafter become available to it for purposes of this section upon condition that such funds, when so conveyed to the United States, shall be used solely by the United States for the acquisition of land and interests in land, and expenses incidental thereto, required for establishment of the Harpers Ferry National Monument.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that the provisions of this Act do not alter in any manner any action taken prior to the effective date of this Act by the Board of Public Works with regard to the Harpers Ferry National Monument.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1978.

Approved April 11, 1978.