

CHAPTER 304

(Senate Bill 623)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 250 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Charles County (1959 Edition, being Article 9 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Charles County", sub-title "Schools", authorizing the Board of School Commissioners of Charles County to publish required accounts in three newspapers of general circulation in the county and removing the limitation on the amounts that can be paid to newspapers publishing such accounts.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 250 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Charles County (1959 Edition, being Article 9 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Charles County", sub-title "Schools", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

250.

The Board of County School Commissioners of Charles County shall publish in [two newspapers published in said county, if there be two newspapers representing the two political parties, which at the last election preceding the termination of the respective fiscal years polled, respectively, the largest number of votes cast in said county] *three newspapers having a general circulation in the County,* a statement of all receipts and disbursements, including all money received and expended on account of text-books, and a statement of the indebtedness of the board at the close of the fiscal year, and the items of expense of the several public schools in Charles County, as now required to be published by said board, under the provisions of Section 27 of Article 77 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, title "Public Education", sub-title "County School Commissioners", and including, also, all other matters of which the public should be informed, in the discretion of said Board; provided, however, that said Board of County School Commissioners shall not allow, as compensation or consideration for the publications hereinbefore mentioned more than the current rates charged by said newspapers for such like advertising; [and that the aggregate sum paid both of said newspapers shall not exceed the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) for any one fiscal year;] and provided further, that in event the publishers or managers of [either] *any* of said newspapers shall refuse to publish all of the publications, as hereinbefore provided, upon the terms and for the [pro rata] compensation aforesaid, then, and in said event, the publication in [one] *any* of such newspapers, the publishers or managers of which will publish the publications aforesaid, upon the terms aforesaid, shall be sufficient publication thereof by the said board.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1963.

Approved April 17, 1963.