

Assembly, shall on or before the first day of February after said appropriation or any part thereof shall have been received and annually thereafter, as long as said association or incorporation shall continue a beneficiary of the State, file with the Comptroller of the State a full and accurate account, giving as far as the said Comptroller may consider practicable an itemized statement of how the said amount so received from the State has been expended; said account to be sworn to by the president, vice-president or treasurer of said association or institution or commanding officer of such military organization.

SEC. 2. *Be it enacted*, That all appropriations made by the Legislature to any of the associations or institutions, the character of which is set forth in the preceding section of this Act, if not so provided in the Act making such appropriation, shall be payable one half in the first fiscal year wherein said appropriation is made and one-half in the next fiscal year, and the Comptroller of the State is hereby instructed not to draw his warrant for any payment until such an account of the expenditures as is required in the first section of this Act, and in compliance therewith to the full satisfaction of the said Comptroller, shall have been filed; provided, the said institution shall have received an appropriation prior to the passage of this Act, and the Comptroller is hereby authorized, in his discretion, for the purpose of informing himself of the expenditures of said institution, to cause an examination of their financial affairs and management to be made.

SEC. 3. No part of any appropriation made by the State to any institution or association the character of which is set forth in the first section of this Act shall be applied to the purchase of any land or erection of any building, unless permission to purchase such land or erect such building be directly given in the Act making such appropriation.

SEC. 4. *Be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from and after its passage .

Approved April 5, 1900.

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CHAPTER 240.

AN ACT to provide for the annual compilation and publication of a Manual of the State of Maryland.