

CHAPTER 445.

AN ACT to appropriate the sum of twelve thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, to add a fire-proof addition to the building known as the Comptroller's office, in the City of Annapolis.

WHEREAS, The Committee on Public Buildings in pursuance of an order passed by the House of Delegates, authorizing them to secure the services of an architect to prepare plans for an addition and improvement to the buildings known as the Comptroller's office; and— Preamble.

WHEREAS, The plans prepared as aforesaid have been submitted to the Comptroller of the Treasury, Commissioner of the Land Office, and President of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, and fully approved by them; and— Preamble

WHEREAS, The building known as the Comptroller's office is entirely too small to accommodate the increased business of the Comptroller of the Treasury, the Commissioner of the Land Office, the Board of Directors of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, and the Insurance Commissioner, all of whom conduct and transact the business of their respective departments in said building; and— Preamble

WHEREAS, The limited space afforded by said building for the transaction of the business of said departments, necessarily leaves deeds representing millions of property, and many other papers and vouchers of great value to the State, in an unsafe and exposed condition; therefore— Preamble.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the sum of twelve thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated to erect a fire-proof addition to the building known as the Comptroller's office, in the City of Annapolis. Appropriation.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That Levin Woolford, William R. Hayward and Arthur P. Gorman be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to erect Authorized to erect