

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Chapter 321 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1908, title "An Act to provide for the examination and auditing annually of the accounts of the Board of County School Commissioners for Queen Anne's County, the Trustees of the Poor of Queen Anne's County, the County Treasurer of Queen Anne's County and the County Commissioners of Queen Anne's County, and to require the appointment of an auditing committee with power to summon and swear witnesses in relation thereto," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments so as to read as follows:

1. It shall be the duty of the judges of the Circuit Court for Queen Anne's County, annually, on and after the year 1912, during the May term of said Court, to appoint from among the taxable inhabitants of said county, without the least reference to their political opinions and of approved character for competency and integrity, three persons who shall constitute an auditing committee, whose duty it shall be to examine carefully the accounts, vouchers, books and papers of the Board of County School Commissioners and Treasurer thereof for Queen Anne's County, the Trustees of the Poor of Queen Anne's County, the County Treasurer of Queen Anne's County and the County Commissioners of Queen Anne's County, and to report the same in duplicate, one of said reports to be filed with the clerk of the Circuit Court for said county, and one with the County Commissioners of said county; and the County Commissioners of said county are hereby directed to cause said report, immediately upon the filing of the name with them, to be published in two newspapers published in Queen Anne's county, for such length of time as they shall deem expedient.

2. It shall be the duty of the three persons, so as aforesaid appointed, within thirty days after their appointment, to take and subscribe before the clerk of the Circuit Court of Queen Anne's County on oath to well and faithfully discharge the duties of a member of said auditing committee without fear, favor or partiality; and if any person appointed as aforesaid shall for any cause fail to qualify as aforesaid, or qualifying, shall refuse to act as a member of the said auditing committee, the remaining member or members of the said committee are hereby authorized and empowered to fill said vacancy or vacancies and proceed to the discharge of the duties of said committee as hereinafter set forth.