

of Baltimore and the county boards of education are free to spend more for text books, supplementary readers, materials of instruction, stationery and school supplies than the amount received from the State for such purpose.

See notes to this section in volume 2 of the Annotated Code.

Chapter 4 A*. The County Superintendent of Schools.

1904, art. 77, sec. 68. 1888, art. 77, sec. 62. 1872, ch. 377. 1916, ch. 506, sec. 72.

72. The county board of education of each county shall appoint during the month of May a superintendent of schools for a term of four years, from the first day of August next succeeding his appointment, and he shall hold office until his successor qualifies. No person shall be eligible for appointment to the office of county superintendent of schools who does not hold from the state superintendent of schools a certificate in administration and supervision as provided for in section 55 of this Article, nor shall the appointment of any person by the county board of education to the position of county superintendent of schools be valid without the written approval of the State Superintendent of Schools. Provided that all county superintendents of schools holding office on April 18, 1916, shall continue to serve to the end of the term for which they were originally appointed, and until their successors qualify, unless removed, as hereinafter provided, and shall also be eligible for reappointment; and provided, further, that all county superintendents of schools shall be paid, beginning with the school year 1916-1917, on the basis of the salaries hereinafter specified. The salary of the county superintendent of schools shall not be diminished during his term of office. The county superintendent of schools shall devote his entire time to public school business and shall receive such compensation as the county board of education shall direct, provided that no county superintendent of schools appointed to office under the provisions of this section, or continuing in office under the provisions of this section, shall be paid an annual salary of less than eighteen hundred (\$1,800) dollars, and the State of Maryland shall, as hereinafter provided, pay out of the General State School Fund to the treasurer of the county board of education, one-half of the annual salary of the county superintendent of schools, up to and including an annual salary of three thousand (\$3,000) dollars. County boards of education may, in their discretion, pay to a county superintendent an annual salary in excess of three thousand (\$3,000) dollars, but the State shall not share in the part payment of said excess. The State superintendent of schools may remove any county superintendent of schools appointed under the provisions of this section or continuing in office under the provisions of this section, for immorality, misconduct in office, insubordination, incompetency, or wilful neglect of duty, upon making known to him, in writ-

*The sections of this chapter seem to be inappropriately numbered; consequently the chapter is out of place.