

the management or providing for any public institution, shall not make any contract binding or purporting to bind the State, or any county, township or any municipal corporation to pay any sum of money not previously appropriated for the purpose for which such contract is made, and remaining unexpended, and applicable to such purpose,¹ such officer or agent who willfully or knowingly makes or participates in making a contract without such appropriation or authority, shall be personally liable thereon, and the State, county, township or municipal corporation in whose name or behalf the same was made, shall be not liable thereon.

An. Code, sec. 51. 1914, ch. 451.

3. It shall be unlawful for the trustees, managers, directors or superintendent of any of the public institutions of the State of Maryland, to create a deficiency, incur a liability, or to expend a greater sum of money than is appropriated by the General Assembly of Maryland for the use of such public institution or department.

An. Code, sec. 52. 1914, ch. 451.

4. Any officer enumerated in section 2 of this Article being found guilty of willfully or knowingly creating a deficiency, incurring a liability, or expending a greater sum than is appropriated by the General Assembly of Maryland for any public institution or department of this State in any one year, shall be held individually liable for the same, and shall be fined in a sum not exceeding One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for the first offense, and Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) for all subsequent offenses, or shall be imprisoned in the Maryland Penitentiary for a period of two years, or both fined and imprisoned in the discretion of the Court.

¹ The punctuation of this line is just as it appears in the act.