

of education to be raised by local taxation in order to carry out the provisions of this section.

An. Code, sec. 75. 1904, sec. 71. 1888, sec. 65. 1872, ch. 377. 1916, ch. 506, sec. 75.

147. The county superintendent of schools shall direct the taking of the biennial school census provided for in sections 36 and 55 of this Article.

An. Code, sec. 76. 1904, sec. 72. 1888, sec. 66. 1872, ch. 377. 1904, ch. 584. 1916, ch. 506, sec. 76.

148. The county superintendent of schools shall take the initiative in the preparation and presentation of the annual school budget, and shall in every way seek to secure adequate funds from the local authorities for the support and development of the public schools of the county.

An. Code, sec. 77. 1910, ch. 147 (p. 219). 1916, ch. 506, sec. 77.

149. The county superintendent of schools, acting as the executive officer of the county board of education, shall conduct all correspondence, receive all reports from the board of district trustees, principals, and teachers, and shall see that all reports are properly made and submitted. He shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, and submit to the county board of education for adoption, all reports required of that board by the state board of education or the state superintendent of schools, and he shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, and submit for approval, to the county board of education, the annual report addressed to the people of the county, provided for in section 59 of this Article.

An. Code, sec. 78. 1904, sec. 73. 1888, sec. 67. 1872, ch. 377. 1916, ch. 506, sec. 78.

150. The county superintendent of schools, as secretary and treasurer of the county board of education, shall give bond to the State of Maryland in such penal sum as the board shall determine. Said bond shall have the security of any guaranty, deposit, trust or other similar company duly authorized under the laws of Maryland to act in such capacity. The cost or fee for such security shall be paid by the county board of education, and said bond, when executed, shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the court of the county. The bond shall provide that the secretary and treasurer will faithfully perform the duties of the office and pay over and apply all moneys that shall come to his hand or care as treasurer to such persons and in such manner as said board may, under the provisions of this Article, direct, and that he will keep a full account of all moneys received and paid by him, and all matters relating to the duties of his office and preserve the same, and all vouchers relating thereto, and deliver up all books and vouchers relating to his office to his successor.

Where the treasurer's bond designedly omits from its condition words "under the provisions of this article," the surety is not liable for illegal payments made by authority of board. *Howard County v. Hill*, 88 Md. 119; *State v. Turner*, 101 Md. 587.