

**Chapter 15. Public Libraries.**

An. Code, 1924, sec. 167. 1912, sec. 99. 1904, sec. 94. 1888, sec. 87. 1872, ch. 377.  
1904, ch. 584.

**162.** For the further encouragement of education, district libraries ought to be established in each school house district under the care of the teacher, as librarian; for this purpose the sum of ten dollars per annum is ordered to be paid by the board of county school commissioners out of the State school fund to any school house district as library money as long as the people of the district raise the same amount annually; the books must be selected by the board of district school trustees and teachers from a list to be furnished by the state board of education.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 168. 1912, sec. 100. 1904, sec. 110. 1902, ch. 247, sec. 1. 1910, ch. 505, sec. 95 (p. 221). 1922, ch. 29, sec. 100 (p. 55). 1939, ch. 323, sec. 168.

**163.** The Governor shall biennially appoint five persons, at least two of whom shall be women, who, with the State Librarian and the Librarian of the Enoch Pratt Free Library, shall constitute the Maryland Public Library Advisory Commission, which is charged with the extension and development of public library service throughout the State.

See art. 41, sec. 141.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 169. 1912, sec. 101. 1904, sec. 111. 1902, ch. 247, sec. 2. 1910, ch. 505, sec. 96 (p. 221). 1922, ch. 29, sec. 101 (p. 55).

**164.** Said commission shall annually elect from their own number a President and a Secretary, who, with the other members of the commission, shall serve without pay, but the necessary traveling expenses of the Commissioners in attending upon the meetings of the commission or its business away from their homes, may be paid out of any appropriation available for the purpose. The secretary shall also act as treasurer of the commission and shall give bond with approved security for the proper performance of his duties. It shall be the duty of the Commission, from time to time, to advise and counsel with and to aid the State Superintendent of Schools with respect to the performance of his duties under Sections 163 to 181, inc., of this sub-title.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 170. 1912, sec. 102. 1904, sec. 112. 1902, ch. 247, sec. 3. 1910, ch. 505, sec. 97 (p. 222). 1939, ch. 323, sec. 170.

**165.** Said commission shall give advice and counsel to all public libraries and public school libraries in the State and to all persons proposing to establish them, as to the best means of their establishment and maintenance, the selection of books, cataloguing and other details of management. Said commission shall annually report to the governor in the month of November, a full and complete account of its doings and of its receipts and expenditures. Said commission is hereby granted power and authority to accept on behalf of the State appropriations of money from the Federal Government, or any agency thereof, made pursuant to the provisions and purposes of any Act of Congress heretofore or hereafter enacted, and especially from an Act of the Seventy-six Congress enacting the provisions of H R 3517 or S. 1305, known as the "Federal Aid to Education Act of 1939"; and the State of Maryland hereby expressly accepts the provisions of Title III of said Act as provided in Section 301 hereof.<sup>1</sup> Said commission is hereby vested with the power and authority to

<sup>1</sup> As in Act.