

Maryland, and to repeal all laws inconsistent therewith, enacts this article under title I. "Supervision," and title II. "Modes of securing competent teachers," respectively arranged into chapters and sections; and repeals all the sections of the several articles of the code of public general and local laws relating to schools, inconsistent with the provisions of this act, and all acts of assembly passed since the adoption of said volumes of the code relating to schools, inconsistent with the provisions of this act; and provides that there shall be throughout the state of Maryland a general system of free public schools, according to the provisions of this act. It further provides that this act shall be added to the code of public general laws, under the title "Public Education," and repeals all existing laws inconsistent herewith. Sup. 1868, p. 175.

This act further provides that the same shall take effect April 1, 1868, *provided, nevertheless*, that the schools now in operation may be continued under existing authorities until their successors are duly appointed and qualified.

1870, c. 311, repeals 1868, c. 407, and all the sections of the several articles of the code of public general laws relating to schools inconsistent with the provisions of this act; and all acts of assembly passed since the adoption of said volumes of the code relating to schools, inconsistent with the provisions of this act; and re-enacts 1868, c. 407, arranged into chapters and sections. It further enacts, that there shall be throughout the state of Maryland a general system of free public schools, according to the provisions of this act; and also provides that this act shall be added to the code of public general laws, under the title "Public Education," and repeals all existing laws inconsistent therewith. Sup. 1870, p. 124.

1872, c. 377, repeals 1870, c. 311, and re-enacts the same arranged into chapters and sections, and directs that this act be added to the code of public general laws under the title, "Public Education," and repeals all existing laws inconsistent herewith.

1874, c. 463, repeals the following ss. of act of 1872, c. 377, and all laws inconsistent therewith; and re-enacts the same with amendments, and substitutes other sections in lieu of those repealed: