sum of one thousand five hundred and forty-one dollars and seventy-nine cents, was withheld from Garrett county in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, and said county not having been able to keep its schools open seven and a half months in the vear as required by the school law of the State, is by the said law required to forfeit the March instalment of the State school tax Preamble. for the year eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, the said inability of said county has arisen from the fact that said county has been subjected to large expenses in the erection of county buildings and new school houses, and the fact that the small population is scattered over a large extent of territory creating a large number of schools for the number of pupils required to be taught; there-

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the comptroller of the State treasury be and he is hereby directed to issue his warrant upon the treasurer of the State in favor of the board of school commissioners of Garrett county, for the sum of one thousand five hundred and forty-one dollars and seventy-nine cents, said sum in addition to the amount to which said county is entitled to receive to be paid out of the public school funds of the State under existing laws.

To pay.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That the comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to apportion to Garrett county its proper proportion of the State school tax for the year eighteen To apportion. hundred and ninety, known as the "March instalment" of said school tax to be made by said comptroller in pursuance of law on the fifteenth day of March in said year, in the same manner as if the county schools of said Garrett county had been kept open seven and a half months during the year ending December thirtyfirst, eighteen hundred and ninety.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That said board of school commissioners shall apply the said sums so received by the provisions of this act, to the support of public schools of said county in the To apply. same manner as the other portions of the State school tax received by said county are intended to be applied under the provisions of the existing school law of this State.

SEC. 4. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect from Effective the date of its passage.

Approved April 3, 1890.