

## CHAPTER 91.

AN ACT to prescribe and define the duties of the Comptroller of the Treasury relative to the apportionment and distribution of the revenue derived from the annual tax levied for the support of free public schools, and to confine the apportionments and distributions thereof, heretofore made by that officer.

Whereas doubts have arisen as to the manner in which under existing laws, the apportionment of the revenue derived from the annual tax levied for the support of free public schools should be apportioned among the several counties and the city of Baltimore, and as to what expenditures and appropriations are properly chargeable to the fund derived from said tax, therefore for the settlement of the same.

Preamble.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That in making the apportionments required by the act of eighteen hundred and seventy-two, chapter three hundred and seventy-seven; sub-chapter nineteen, section six; it shall be the duty of the Comptroller to equalize, as far as may be possible, the sums to be apportioned, so as to apportion and distribute the same amount as far as may be practicable on each of said days.

Comptroller to equalize sums to be apportioned.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That until otherwise expressly directed by law, the Comptroller shall charge to said fund and pay therefrom the annual appropriations that have been or may hereafter continue, or be made for the education of colored children, and also with like appropriations for the support of the State Normal School; for the colored Normal School, and the expenses of the State Board of Education.

Comptroller shall charge.

Education of colored children, &amp;c.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That all apportionments and disbursements of the said revenue that have been heretofore made by the Comptroller be, and the same are ratified and confirmed.

Disbursements ratified and confirmed.