mended to them by the assessors in each county, and in hearing protests against said assessments, shall each receive the sum of not exceeding Ten Dollars ($10) per day, in addition to their salaries as County Commissioners, and, in Allegany County, the Clerk to the County Commissioners shall be entitled to Ten Dollars ($10) per day for work in connection with the review of tax assessments. The Counsel to the County Commissioners in their respective counties shall be counsel to the said Commissioners in said review of assessments or hearing of protests, and shall be entitled to reasonable compensation for services rendered, in addition to the salary as counsel to said County Commissioners. The Supervisor of Assessments or one of the assessors shall be present at all such reviews or hearings, to explain and support his recommendations and those of the County Assessors. It shall be unlawful for the County Commissioners (or Appeal Tax Court, if provided under Section 186), to decrease the amount of an assessment after the date of finality for any year, unless a protest against said assessment was duly filed before the date of finality. It shall also be unlawful for the said County Commissioners (or Appeal Tax Court), at any time between general reviews of assessments in a district to decrease an assessment therein, without first notifying and consulting with the Supervisor of Assessments; and if such a reduction should be made without notice and consultation it shall be void.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1947.

Approved March 29, 1947.

CHAPTER 165.

(Senate Bill 168)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 2 of Chapter 409 of the Acts of 1935, creating the Upper Potomac River Commission, relating to the appointment of a member of said Commission from Allegany and Garrett Counties.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 2 of Chapter 409 of the Acts of 1935, creating the Upper Potomac River Commission, be and it is hereby