

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That "The Commissioners of Leonardtown" be and they are hereby authorized to borrow upon the faith and credit of said Town a sum of money not exceeding fifteen thousand (\$15,000.00) dollars from such bank, trust company or other source as they may elect for the purpose of constructing new sewers and water mains and extensions thereof, either in or outside the corporate limits of said town. The Town Commissioners are authorized to give notes and pledge the same as security for the loan at a rate of interest not exceeding three per cent (3%) and to renew said notes from time to time, but the full amount to be amortized and retired within ten (10) years from the date of the original loan.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and having been passed by a ye and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all of the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 2, 1947.

CHAPTER 287.

(Senate Bill 266)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 17 of Article 64A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1943 Supp.), title "Merit System", as amended by Chapter 9 of the Acts of 1945, increasing the powers of the State Employees' Standard Salary Board to change rates of pay for classes of employees.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 17 of Article 64A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1943 Supp.), title "Merit System", as amended by Chapter 9 of the Acts of 1945, be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

17. The State Employees' Standard Salary Board shall formulate rules and regulations for the administration of Sections 15-17, which shall include provisions for automatic increases, from minimum to maximum, of the rates