

respect to any positions or vacancies in said classified service shall be made only in accordance with this sub-title and Article 64A of the Annotated Code of Maryland and any amendment thereof, and the rules and classifications adopted by the Commission pursuant thereto, in so far as applicable, except that in making appointments or promotions, the appointing authority may give preference to residents of Montgomery County whose names appear on the list of eligibles certified by the Commissioner. Except as otherwise provided in this sub-title, the provisions of said Article 64A, including definitions of terms, shall govern said classified service. The Commissioner of State Employment and Registration is hereby authorized and directed to conduct examinations, promulgate rules, and otherwise extend the facilities of his office to establish and operate said classified service in Montgomery County in conformance with said Article 64A and this sub-title.

630A. On and after November 1, 1937, or as soon thereafter as an eligible successor qualifies, any person who, on the effective date hereof, holds any position placed hereby in the classified service, shall cease to hold said position unless, prior to November 1, 1937, such person shall have taken the examination required therefor and received a rating, after adding the credit provided below, making him eligible to be certified by the Commissioner for appointment to said position, but any incumbent receiving such rating shall continue to hold said position as an employee in said classified service.

In the determination of his eligibility rating, any such incumbent shall receive for each year of service rendered prior to the effective date hereof, not in excess of five, a credit of one point.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1937.

Approved May 28, 1937.

CHAPTER 486.

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 22 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Washington County", sub-title "County Commissioners", said new section to be known as Section 162A and to follow immediately after Section 162 of said Article, making it unlawful for the County Commissioners or any employee of Washington County to enter into any contract of sale or pur-