

sold, the using authorities shall transmit to the Bureau the original invoices applying to purchases made by the Bureau with certificates of approval thereon. On emergency purchases original invoices for materials purchased direct by the using authorities, together with a copy of same and also certificates of their approval, shall be sent to the Bureau accompanied by actual emergency reports on which must be given the reasons for the necessity of the direct purchases by the using authorities. The original of each invoice covering articles which are exempted by the bureau and the original invoices covering services shall be, with the proper certification thereon, forwarded to the Bureau for review only. After the invoices have been approved or reviewed as the case may be, by the Bureau, such approval or review shall be authority for the Comptroller to pay the amounts due on the invoices to the contractors or sellers, to the using authorities for transmittal to the contractors or sellers, or to the Bureau for the same purpose, according to whatever plan may be devised by the Bureau and the State officers, boards, departments, commissions and institutions for the payment of such claims out of the amounts appropriated therefor by the General Assembly in the Budget Bill.

It shall be unlawful for any using authority whose salaries and expenses are paid from the fees of his office to pay any contractor or seller for articles of any kind, unless the invoice approved by him is also approved by the Bureau. Any violation of this provision shall be cause for removal by the Governor.

7. The Bureau shall prepare an annual report of its total expenditures as well as the expenditures of the Using Authorities for emergency purchases before the first day of January, during the previous fiscal year and shall cause a copy of the report to be sent to the Governor and State Comptroller. Each Using Authority must be furnished with copies of awards for materials, supplies, merchandise and articles of every description requisitioned by it.

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

Approved May 18, 1937.

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#### CHAPTER 227.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Section 497 of Chapter 306 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1933, title "Anne Arundel County", sub-title