

ance of bona fide agricultural fairs and exhibits. For this purpose said Board shall have sole and complete control of the allocation, distribution of and expenditure of all funds in the special fund created by Section 13 of Article 78B of this Code and of all funds appropriated in the State Budget for Agricultural Fairs. The Board may distribute the whole of any part of such funds among fair associations qualifying therefor under this sub-title, in such amounts and proportions as it shall deem desirable to effectuate the purposes of this sub-title, to be used for agricultural exhibits, provided, however, that the Board shall make no such payments to any fair association

- (1) which holds a license under Section 13 of Article 78B of the Code; or
- (2) which, during its preceding fiscal year paid any dividends or distributed any profits among its stockholders or members. The Board shall also have the power to inspect and audit the books of Fair Associations receiving funds under this sub-title and to require such reports from said Associations as is deemed necessary by the Board.

The Board may use and expend all or any part of such funds under its control not otherwise distributed, to defray the expenses of conducting a State Agricultural Fair or State-wide Exhibits in any one agricultural fair or exhibit which the Board shall designate for this purpose. The Board shall have the power to accept funds from organizations or individuals and to expend the same in a manner specified by donors, or as other funds under this Act.

Allocations or expenditures made by the Board under authority of this sub-title shall be paid from said special fund or said budget appropriations upon delivery by the Board of written order or requisition therefor to the Comptroller of this State. Any balance of said funds remaining unexpended at the end of the fiscal year following the one in which such funds were collected or for which appropriated, shall be transferred by the Comptroller to the general funds of the State of Maryland.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and being passed upon a ye and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all 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 May 18, 1937.