

CHAPTER 174.

AN ACT to pay to the School Commissioners of Garrett County, a sum of money out of the State School Tax.

WHEREAS, In view of the pressure of the present apportionment specially upon Garrett county, of the State school fund, and her inability, without large increase of county taxation, to keep open her schools for more than four or five months; and in view of the fact that mountain ridges so divide the population of Garrett county, the largest county of the State in area, as to render school facilities for all of the children more expensive than in more central parts of the State; and,

WHEREAS, It has been unanimously recommended by the State Board of Education, that such sum of money should be paid out of the State school fund to the Board of School Commissioners of Garrett county; therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Comptroller of the Treasury be and he is hereby authorized and required to draw his warrant upon the Treasurer in favor of Garrett County School Board for the sum of four thousand dollars per annum for two years, out of the proceeds of the State school tax before making apportionment thereof; provided, however, that no portion of said four thousand dollars per annum shall be used for any other purpose than for salaries and ordinary running expenses of said schools.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 2, 1896.

CHAPTER 175.

AN ACT to amend and extend the charter of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company in Baltimore county.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the provisions of the original charter of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company in Baltimore county, passed by the General Assembly of Maryland at the December session of 1849, chapter 213, limiting the duration of said company to the