

Building committee. H. Thomas, Elihu S. Riley, William G. Gischel, Richard H. Phelps and Dr. Washington C. Claude, be and they are hereby constituted a building committee for the purpose of purchasing a lot or lots, and erecting and furnishing in the city of Annapolis, a public school building, four of whom shall form a quorum, and the concurrence of four of them shall be necessary for the decision of all questions which may arise in the discharge of their duties; and all vacancies occurring in said building committee, whether from death, resignation, refusal to act or otherwise, shall be filled by the school commissioners of Anne Arundel county.

To erect school building. **Proposals.** **Bond of contractor.** **To employ architect.**

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the said building committee shall, as speedily as possible, purchase a lot or lots, and procure and adopt a plan and specifications for the erection of said public school building, and as soon as said plan and specifications are determined upon, the said committee shall invite sealed proposals by advertisement for a reasonable time, for the construction and completion of said work, which proposal shall be sent in sealed envelopes in care of school examiner of Anne Arundel county, addressed to said committee, and shall be publicly opened on the day and at the hour named in said advertisement, said proposal setting forth the amount of money for which the parties proposing will complete the building according to the specifications, and the time or times at which payment therefor shall be made, and the time when said building will be completed; and the said building committee shall award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder, upon such bidder giving bond to the State of Maryland in such penalty as said committee shall determine, conditioned for the faithful discharge of the contract entered into, which bond shall be liable, at the suits of the County Commissioners, school commissioners of Anne Arundel county, or mayor, counsellor and aldermen of the city of Annapolis, for the violations of its conditions; and said building committee is hereby authorized and required to employ a skilled and competent architect or architects, under whose control and supervision, as to material and workmanship, such building shall be erected; and said building committee shall also, in like manner, determine upon the proper furnishing of the rooms and offices of said school building, and shall, at such time as it may deem proper, advertise for such furniture as in its discretion will be suitable for the uses and conveniences of said school building, and the several rooms therein, and shall award the contract therefor to the lowest responsible bidder or bidders.