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

Approved April 6, 1908.

CHAPTER 635.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments section 67 of article 77 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland of 1904, title "Public Education," and to add six new sections thereto, to come after section 122 of said article, and to be numbered, respectively, section 122A, 122B, 122C, 122D, 122E and 122½E, designed to provide a commercial course in certain approved high schools.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That section 67 of article 77 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland of 1904, title "Public Education," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, and that six new sections be and the same are hereby added to said article, to come in immediately after section 122, and to be numbered, respectively, sections 122A, 122B, 122C, 122D, 122E and 122½E, so that the whole, when enacted, shall read as follows:

67. The sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars is hereby appropriated to be paid by the State Treasurer upon the warrant of the Comptroller, on the first day of October, 1908, and annually thereafter, to be expended, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the purchase of text books, as provided in this article. The whole of said sum shall be appropriated by the Comptroller in the month of September of each and every year, according to and based upon the total number of different pupils enrolled, as disclosed by the statistics of the report of the State Board of Education for the fiscal year ending July 31, 1907, and every succeeding odd year, and he shall immediately thereafter notify the treasurer of the several boards of County School Commissioners of the counties and the city of Baltimore of the amount thus found to be due to each, and the same shall be paid to the treasurer of the Board of School Commissioners of Baltimore city and the several counties upon the draft of the president and secretary of the several Boards of County School Commissioners and the city of Baltimore aforesaid.

122A. For the further encouragement of certain approved high schools, and to make possible the inauguration of a commercial course, an appropriation according to the provisions