

Section 24A. In all reports and accounts hereafter stated by any Auditor, the annual or other reports and accounts in the same cause or trust estate, theretofore, under rule of Court, rendered by any trustee or other fiduciary to any trust officer of said Court authorized to verify trust reports and accounts, which have been passed upon and accepted by said trust officer, or the said Court, shall be taken as evidence of the receipts, expenditures and statements, therein contained, without further proof, unless by order of Court further proof is required.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from and after June 1, 1918.

Approved April 10th, 1918.

#### CHAPTER 381.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Section 31, Sub-chapter 5, entitled "District Board of School Trustees," of Article 77 of Bagby's Annotated Code of Public Civil Laws of Maryland, entitled "Public Education," as finally amended by Chapter 506 of the Acts of 1916, so as to grant additional powers to the district boards of school trustees.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 31 of Chapter 5 of Article 77 of Bagby's Code of Civil Laws of Maryland, entitled "Public Education," as finally amended by Chapter 506 of the Acts of 1916, be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments so as to read as follows:

31. Every District Board of School Trustees shall hold an annual meeting each year on the third Saturday in May, or as soon thereafter in May as possible. At this meeting the Board shall each year appoint one of its members as Chairman, and shall give notice of such appointment to the Secretary of the County Board of Education. Other regular meetings shall be held at least once each school term, and such special meetings shall be held as the duties and business of the Board shall require. The principal teacher of the school district shall be the secretary for the Board and shall attend all meetings of the Board except when the Board is in executive session; and shall with the consent of the majority of the members of the Board present have the right to speak upon all questions, but