

SEC. 2. *Be it enacted*, That this Act shall not abridge or limit the power of the Mayor and Aldermen of Frederick, to issue and sell bonds, upon the faith and credit of the Corporation, in such sums, and for such purposes, as it shall think proper, in excess and in addition to said sum of twenty thousand dollars, as is now or may hereafter be authorized by law or ordinance.

SEC. 3. *Be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the first day of October, in the year nineteen hundred and fourteen.

Approved April 10th, 1914.

CHAPTER 480.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Sections 25 and 43 of Article 77 of Bagby's Annotated Code of Public Civil Laws of Maryland, entitled "Public Education;" sub-titles Chapter 4, "County School Commissioners," and Chapter 7, "Schools;" the same being designed to fix the powers of the Boards of County School Commissioners.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Sections 25 and 43 of Article 77, of Bagby's Annotated Code of Public Civil Laws of Maryland, entitled "Public Education;" sub-titles Chapter 4, "County School Commissioners," and Chapter 7, "Schools;" be and the same are hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments to read as follows:

25. The Board of County School Commissioners shall have the general supervision and control of all the schools in their respective Counties; they shall build, repair and furnish school houses; they shall purchase and distribute text-books; they shall after advising with the principal of the school to which the teacher is to be appointed, appoint all assistant teachers; they shall have authority to consolidate schools when in their judgment consolidation is practicable or desirable, provided that in the case of a school, the yearly average of which is twelve pupils or more, the Board of County School Commissioners shall obtain the consent of sixty per cent. of the patrons of the school, the school house of which is to be closed in order that it may be consolidated with another school, and to arrange for and to pay charges of transporting pupils to and from such schools and have power to close any or all schools in any school