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High schools of the third group shall fulfill the following minimum requirements: (a) They shall have an enrollment of at least fifteen bona fide high school pupils and an average daily attendance of at least twelve pupils; (b) they shall employ not less than one full-time teacher for high school work; (c) they shall provide for a two years' course of instruction of not less than one hundred and eighty actual school days in each year, the same to conform to the standard required by the State Board of Education, and shall not attempt more than a two years' course of instruction unless additional teachers are provided for the additional work.

No promotion of pupils from grade to grade in any approved high school shall be made without the approval of the county superintendent of schools; nor shall any pupils be graduated from an approved high school without the approval of the State Superintendent of Schools. Regulations regarding the size and arrangement of the building, and its fitness for high school work, the amount and character of equipment and supplies, and the necessary library and laboratories, shall be made by the State Board of Education; and State aid shall not be allowed on account of the employment of any teacher unless the department to which such teacher is assigned is adequately equipped and the quality of instruction is satisfactory.

No person shall be employed in any approved high school as principal or assistant teacher who does not hold the appropriate certificate as provided for in Chapter 8, Section 53, of this Article.

Nothing in this section shall prevent the organization of junior high schools comprising the higher elementary grades and one or two of the high school grades; and such schools when organized according to regulations of the State Board of Education, and satisfactorily administered, may receive State aid on the basis of the amount high school instruction given.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted.* That a new section is hereby added to Article 77 of the Annotated Code of Mary-