

offense, all fines imposed under this Section shall be paid over to the County Commissioners of Allegany County for the use of the public school system of Allegany County.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That in addition to the license fees now imposed in Allegany County under general or local laws against the person, firm, or corporation set forth in Section 1, before said person, firm, or corporation mentioned in the preceding section and the limitations therein contained shall own, operate, or maintain any of said chain stores in Allegany County they shall first obtain from the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Allegany County a special license to be known as a chain store license and pay to said Clerk of the Court for each and every chain store operated or to be operated by said individual, firm, or corporation, the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars per year, which said license shall be payable to and collected by the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Allegany County for the use of the County Commissioners of Allegany County in the same manner and form as traders' licenses are now issued, collected and payable. Any person, firm, association, or corporation owning and operating said chain store or stores in Allegany County, Maryland, after June 1, 1927, who fails to take out said license on June 1, 1927, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof by the Circuit Court for Allegany County shall in addition to said license fee herein stipulated to be paid be fined not less than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars for each and every offense, said fine to be paid to the County Commissioners of Allegany County for the use of the public school system of Allegany County.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That if any part or parts of this Act or if any Section thereof shall be held to be unconstitutional such unconstitutionality shall not affect the remaining part or parts of this Act or any Section thereof. The Legislature hereby declares that it would have passed the remaining parts of this Act or any Section thereof if it had known that such part or parts thereof or any Section thereof, would be declared unconstitutional.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect from the first day of June, 1927.

Approved April 5, 1927.