CHAPTER 121.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Sections 193, 195, 197, and 198 of Article 77 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1924 Edition), title "Public Education," subtitle "High Schools," providing for two groups of high schools instead of three, and relating to the admission of graduates of first group high schools to State-aided institutions of higher learning.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Sections 193, 195, 197, and 198 of Article 77 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1924 Edition), title "Public Education," sub-title "High Schools," be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, to read as follows:

For the encouragement of secondary education in Maryland, the State shall extend aid to such groups of high schools in such amounts and in such manner as hereinafter designated and described. All high schools of the counties of the State of Maryland receiving State Aid shall be arranged by the State Board of Education into two groups, to be designated first group, and second group, according to the number and average daily attendance of pupils enrolled, teachers employed, and number of years and quality of instruction given. High schools of the first group shall fulfill the following minimum requirements: (a) they shall have an enrollment of not less than thirty bona fide high school pupils, and an average daily attendance of not less than twenty-five pupils; (b) they shall employ not less than two full-time academic teachers for the high school work; (c) they shall provide a four years' course of instruction of not less than one hundred and eighty actual school days in each year, the same to conform to the standards required by the State Board of Education. High schools of the second group shall fulfill the following minimum requirements: (a) they shall have an enrollment of not less than fifteen bona fide high school pupils, and an average daily attendance of at least twelve pupils; (b) they shall employ one full-time teacher of the academic branches; (c) they shall provide 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.

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