

CHAPTER 224.

(House Bill 298)

AN ACT to repeal an re-enact, with amendments, Section 198A of Article 16 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Montgomery County", sub-title "County Commissioners and Treasurer", as the same was enacted by Chapter 187 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland at its Regular Session of 1935, so as to provide for the employment of Special Attorneys and General Attorneys and provide for their compensation.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 198A of Article 16 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Montgomery County", sub-title "County Commissioners and Treasurer", as the same was enacted by Chapter 187 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland at its Regular Session of 1935, be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments to read as follows:

198A. The Board of County Commissioners of Montgomery County shall have the power and authority to employ an attorney or firm of attorneys to furnish legal services and advice to the Board of County Commissioners. Such attorney or firm of attorneys shall hold office at the pleasure of the County Commissioners, and shall receive a salary not exceeding Three Thousand (\$3,000.00) Dollars a year, payable monthly, in equal installments, which shall be in lieu of all other fees and compensation for services rendered by such attorney or firm of attorneys to the said County Commissioners. The Board of County Commissioners shall have the authority at any time to employ and compensate special Counsel when its regular Counsel is disqualified and also to employ special Counsel for the purpose of preparing proposed legislation relating to the administration of the County or its fiscal affairs, or for the purpose of passing upon the validity of any securities to be issued or purchased by the County and to pay the fees either out of the proceeds of such securities if sold, or out of any available funds of the County. Said Board of County Commissioners are further authorized to compensate F. Barnard Welsh for services rendered the County Commissioners subsequent to January 31, 1939.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and being