on said question shall cast their ballots marked "For School Loan", then this Act shall be immediately of full force and effect, but if a majority of the persons voting on said question shall cast their ballots marked "Against School Loan", then this Act shal be void and of no effect, and the County Commissioners shall take no further action thereunder.

SEC. 6. And be it further enacted, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and having been passed by a yea and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all of the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly of Maryland, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved June 1, 1948.

CHAPTER 50

(House Bill 16)

AN ACT to authorize, empower and direct the County Commissioners of Howard County to retire and pension Joshua W. Baxley, County Road Superintendent, in said County and to pay said pension out of the general revenue of the County.

WHEREAS, Joshua W. Baxley has served with fidelity and efficiency as County Road Superintendent of Howard County for the past sixteen years and is entitled to retirement and pension.

- Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Board of County Commissioners of Howard County be, and they are hereby authorized, empowered and directed, effective from July 1st, 1948, to retire from active duty Joshua W. Baxley, County Road Superintendent of Howard County, and accounting from July 1st, 1948, to pay the said Joshua W. Baxley an annual pension of Nine Hundred Dollars (\$900.00), in equal monthly installments, on the first day of each and every month during the lifetime of the said Joshua W. Baxley.
- SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the County Commissioners of Howard County are authorized, empowered and directed to pay said pension out of the general revenue derived by the County other than from taxes on assessable real and personal property.
- Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1948.

Approved June 1, 1948.