

other information as the State Board of Education shall prescribe.

177. The Board of Library Trustees may receive, hold and possess, or sell and dispose of, all such gifts, donations, devises, bequests, and legacies as may be made to the County Commissioners, or said Trustees, for the purpose of establishing, constructing, increasing, or improving such public library. In all such cases, the said Board of Library Trustees shall act as trustees and shall have control of such gifts, devises, bequests, and legacies, and may apply the proceeds, interests, rents, and profits accruing therefrom, in such manner as will best promote the usefulness of such library, provided, however, that the application of such proceeds, interests, rents, and profits accruing therefrom shall be according to the terms and conditions of such gifts, donations, devises, bequests, and legacies. The Treasurer of the Board of Library Trustees must be adequately bonded.

178. Every library established or operating under this sub-title shall receive from the State a copy of the laws, journals, and other books published by authority of the State, except the Maryland Law Reports.

179. Every person who shall steal or unlawfully take or detain, or who shall mutilate, injure or disfigure by writing, marking, cutting, tearing, or otherwise, any book, map, picture, engraving, manuscript, or other property of any public library, circulating library, or library belonging to the State of Maryland, or to any municipality, or public body, or incorporated institution, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars, said fine to be used for the benefit of the library, or be imprisoned for not more than three months, or, in the discretion of the court, may be both fined and imprisoned as aforesaid.

180. All real estate acquired for the use and benefit of any library and reading room established as aforesaid, and all property that shall be a part of any such library and reading room shall be exempt from all State, county, and municipal taxation.

181. The Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall be entitled to benefits under Section 167 (b) of this Article for the purchase of books for the Enoch Pratt Free Library in the same manner and to the same extent as any county having a population of over 200,000 persons, provided it