

(1943 Supp.), title "Health," sub-title "Chronic Hospitals and Infirmaries," increasing the number of chronic hospitals and infirmaries and specifying their location.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 526 of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1943 Supp.), title "Health," sub-title "Chronic Hospitals and Infirmaries," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments so as to read as follows:

526. The State Board of Health is authorized to establish three institutions for needy persons from the various counties and Baltimore City who require medical, nursing or custodial care by reason of chronic illness or infirmity; one of which shall be located in one of the nine counties on the Eastern Shore, one in the eastern part of the Western Shore convenient and accessible to Baltimore City, Baltimore, Anne Arundel, Carroll, Howard, and Harford Counties, and one on the Western Shore in Western Maryland, at points to be selected by said Board with the approval of the Board of Public Works. The cost of the erection and equipment of said institutions (including the cost of acquiring appropriate sites) shall be paid out of appropriations in the budget, or in any bond issue bill making appropriations for the purpose. Each institution shall contain two sections, one of which shall be a chronic hospital and the other an infirmary, and proper provision for both the white and colored races shall be made. In selecting sites and making architectural plans for each institution, provision shall be made for possible expansion and for the later addition of a unit for the treatment of chronic diseases of children. The State Board of Health shall appoint a superintendent and such other personnel as may be necessary, within the limits of the budgetary appropriations, for each institution.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect on June 1, 1945.

Approved March 29, 1945.

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CHAPTER 422.

(Senate Bill 454)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Chapter 570 of the Laws of Maryland, Session of 1943, enlarging