

and one copy with the County Commissioners of Kent County, and the said County Commissioners are hereby directed and empowered to publish said report, immediately upon the filing of the same, in two or more newspapers, published in Kent County, for such length of time as the County Commissioners shall deem expedient.

36. It shall be the duty of the said several officers and boards, and they and each of them are hereby directed and required to notify all persons having claims of any kind against any of the said officers or boards or against Kent County, which are properly payable out of the public funds, subject to the control of said officers or boards, except such as may be pending in any of the courts of this State, to file said accounts and claims with the proper officers or boards, so that the same may be examined and passed upon by the said respective officers or boards before the thirty-first day of December in each and every year. Any persons failing to file their accounts or claims as aforesaid shall not thereafter be permitted to do so, and shall forfeit all right to collect the same by legal process or otherwise, unless good and sufficient excuse for such failure is given to and approved by the officer or Board with which the said account or claim is offered to be filed. The said several boards and officers are hereby directed and required, when requested by the said Accountant, to submit to him all books, accounts, and other papers relating to the receipt and disbursement of the public funds in their hands or subject to their control; and the said several boards and officers shall in every way expedite and facilitate the work of the said Accountant, to the end that the true financial status and condition of the said several boards and officers, and of Kent County, may be fully and accurately determined.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1949.

Approved March 31, 1949.

CHAPTER 91

(Senate Bill 168)

AN ACT to repeal Sections 41 and 42 of Article 15 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Kent County", sub-title "Betterton", said sec-