

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1949.

Approved April 22, 1949.

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CHAPTER 352

(House Bill 378)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments; Section 188 of the Code of Montgomery County (1947 Edition), being Article 16 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Montgomery County", sub-title "County Commissioners and Treasurer", authorizing and empowering the County Council of Montgomery County to adopt or install a group life and health insurance and group hospitalization plan or system in cooperation with employees of said County, and to include in such plan or system the paid employees of quasi public corporations, such as Fire Departments and Public Library Associations, supported wholly or partially by taxation.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 188 of the Code of Montgomery County (1947 Edition), being Article 16 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Montgomery County", sub-title "County Commissioners and Treasurer", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

188. The County Council of Montgomery County is hereby authorized and empowered, in its discretion, to adopt or install a plan or system of group health and life insurance and group hospitalization in cooperation with the employees or any portion thereof in any office, agency or branch of the government of said County and with paid employees of quasi public corporations engaged in the performance of governmental functions, such as Fire Departments and Public Library Associations, supported or financed wholly or partially by taxes levied annually on all land and improvements and any other property assessed for county purposes within the respective Fire, Library and other Special Tax Areas or Districts of such quasi public corporations, whenever it may deem such to be advisable in the interest of the health, comfort and welfare of said County.