publication of said advertisement to appear at least once a week prior to the date on which bids are to be filed. Any contract of sale shall be awarded to the highest responsible bidder and any contract of purchase shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, but said County Commissioners shall have the right to reject any and all bids. Any contract entered into in violation of the provisions of this section shall be null and void; provided, however, that the provisions of this section shall not apply to any contract or other transaction involving the deposit of County funds in any authorized State or Federal Banking Institution and shall not apply to necessary repairs made in case of emergency.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1951.

Approved March 14, 1951.

## CHAPTER 122

## (House Bill 268)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 48A of Article 20 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Somerset County", sub-title "County Commissioners", said section having been enacted by Chapter 54 of the Acts of 1939, relating generally to the appropriations made to fire companies by the County Commissioners of Somerset County.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 48A of Article 20 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Somerset County", sub-title "County Commissioners", said section having been enacted by Chapter 54 of the Acts of 1939, be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

48A. The County Commissioners of Somerset County are hereby authorized, empowered and required to appropriate and levy annually the sum of [twenty-five] eighty-five hundred

EXPLANATION: Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken out of bill.