

to have an audit made of the books and accounts of the county superintendent of schools and the county board of education of Harford County.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 66 of Article 77 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1954 Supplement), title "Public Education", sub-title "County Board of Education", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

66. Annual audit.

Each county board of education shall hereafter provide for at least an annual audit of its business and financial transactions and of the accounts of its treasurer by an accountant or accountants approved by the State Superintendent of Schools, and the results of this audit shall be made public by the county board of education. Provided, that the county boards of education of Allegany, Calvert, Charles, Wicomico, Garrett and Montgomery Counties shall also submit to the boards of county commissioners of their respective counties within thirty (30) days after the close of its fiscal year each year an annual report containing the following information: (1) a statement showing the source, and application of all funds received and expended by it, and the balance remaining in each account; (2) a consolidated statement showing the operating results, receipts, expenditures, and balances, of the operations and activities conducted by the public schools of the counties. For the purpose of preparing such statement the separate schools of the county shall be required to follow a uniform method of reporting to be prescribed by the county superintendents of schools. All monies, including money derived from independent school activities in excess of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) shall be included in these reports.

It shall be the duty of the county superintendents of schools to have these two statements published at least twice in newspapers of the respective counties.

The county commissioners of each county may appoint an auditor of their own selection to audit the books and accounts of the county superintendents of schools and of the county boards of education of Allegany, Calvert, Garrett, *Harford* and Montgomery Counties, if they deem such audit necessary.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1955.

Approved April 1, 1955.

CHAPTER 214

(Senate Bill 380)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 317 of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition),

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.