

*the necessary monies as specified in this section. These monies plus the State's contribution to that county shall be designated as the Public Library Fund. Any funds appropriated and available for the current expenses of libraries, as of July 1, ~~1962~~, 1963, are a credit toward the required annual appropriation for that county.*

*(g) The State Superintendent of Schools shall authorize the payment to the county Board of Library Trustees of any county in which a library shall be established or operating under this subtitle, those funds subject to its order to which the county and the library may be entitled, and such funds shall be added to the Public Library Fund. The State Superintendent of Schools shall require that all such funds be used subject to any conditions specified by the appropriating agency or imposed consistently with this sub-title.*

*The State Superintendent of Schools is directed to authorize the Comptroller to withhold State funds from any county which fails to levy the amount of its share of the minimum program prescribed by law or which fails to meet the requirements of the law or of the State Board of Education regarding the operation of the county library.*

*(h) Libraries in operation before January 1, 1945, whose boards, by the terms of their charters or articles of incorporation are self-perpetuating or otherwise specifically constituted, shall be deemed eligible for all benefits specified in this sub-title provided they meet all other requirements under this sub-title and their boards may continue to be constituted as in the same manner before.*

*(i) Until June 30, ~~1965~~, 1966, after which Section 182 shall be repealed, counties shall have the option of operating under the provisions of Section 182 or 182A of this sub-title.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That Section 182 of said Article and sub-title is hereby repealed, the said repeal to take effect on July 1, ~~1965~~, 1966.*

SEC. 3. *AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, THAT SECTION 182 (C) OF ARTICLE 77 OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND (1957 EDITION), TITLE "PUBLIC EDUCATION", SUB-TITLE "CHAPTER 16. PUBLIC LIBRARIES", BE AND IT IS HEREBY REPEALED AND RE-ENACTED, WITH AMENDMENTS, TO READ AS FOLLOWS:*

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*(C) FOR THOSE COUNTIES AND BALTIMORE CITY IN WHICH PUBLIC LIBRARIES HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED AND ARE OPERATING UNDER THIS SUB-TITLE, THE STATE BUDGET SHALL PROVIDE ANNUALLY, BEGINNING WITH THE FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 1, 1962, A STATE-AID FUND FOR CURRENT EXPENSES, SAID FUND TO BE THE SUM OF TWENTY-FIVE CENTS (25¢) PER CAPITA, BASED UPON THE LATEST REGULAR FEDERAL CENSUS. SUCH FUNDS SHALL BE IN ADDITION TO THOSE FUNDS PROVIDED UNDER SUB-SECTION (A) AND SUB-SECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION AND SHALL BE USED FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF THE LIBRARY, INCLUDING BOOKS, AND NOT FOR THE PURCHASE OF LAND, THE ERECTION OF BUILDINGS, OR FOR DEBT REDUCTION.*