

"merit" increases and also for supplemental increases for the extra services, for teachers selected on the basis of comparative excellence.

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(f) Teachers with second and third grade certificates. For the school year ~~1957-58~~ 1961-1962 and thereafter, the salary of a teacher holding a regular second grade certificate shall be ~~[\$2,300.00]~~ \$2,700.00; and the salary of a teacher holding a regular third grade certificate shall be ~~[\$2,100.00]~~ \$2,500.00.

215. General State school fund; equalization fund.

(c) Local tax prerequisite to sharing in equalization fund. The board of county commissioners of each of the several counties and the mayor and city council of Baltimore to be eligible to share in the equalization fund shall levy an annual tax for the schools of not less than ~~sixty-five cents (65¢)~~ of assessable property, exclusive of the amount levied for debt service and capital outlay for the schools, provided, however, that beginning as of July 1, 1955 and continuing thereafter, the board of county commissioners of each of the several counties and the mayor and city council of Baltimore City, to be eligible to share in the equalization fund, shall levy an annual tax for the schools of not less than ~~75¢~~ eighty-seven cents (87¢) on each \$100 of assessable property, exclusive of the amount levied for debt service and capital outlay for the schools.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That Section 222 (5) of said Article 77 (1957 Edition), sub-title "Chapter 20. Source and Distribution of Income", be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments; and a new Section 222A be and the same is hereby added to said Article 77 (1957 Edition), to follow immediately after Section 222 thereof and to be under the sub-title "Chapter 20. Source and Distribution of Income", and also to read as follows:

222. Incentive Fund.

(5) Additional payment in event of minimum levy of five cents; maximum participation by State. If the county commissioners of each county and the mayor and city council of Baltimore have levied a minimum of five cents on each one hundred dollars of their taxable basis for the purpose of financing the construction of public school buildings and public school facilities and have otherwise complied with the requirements of this section, including the requirement in sub-section (3) hereof, there shall be paid from the State general fund to each such county and to the City of Baltimore an additional amount of ~~ten~~ twelve dollars multiplied by the number of pupils enrolled respectively in each such county or the City of Baltimore. The maximum participation by the State in the incentive fund created and established by this section shall be limited to an amount necessary to provide ~~twenty dollars (\$20.00)]~~ twenty-two dollars (\$22.00) multiplied by the number of pupils enrolled in the City of Baltimore or in the said counties each year, as the case may be. Provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall be taken to limit in general the total levy which the City of Baltimore and each county may make for the purpose of building, improving, or maintaining any school buildings or facilities situated in said city and in said counties, it being the intention of this section to limit the