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[The State Board of Education shall adopt rules and regulations fixing the ratio of high school teachers to pupils enrolled and in attendance for high schools varying in size.] The State Board of Education shall adopt rules and regulations as it may deem necessary from time to time fixing the ratio of high school teachers to pupils enrolled, within the overall ratios established in Section 159. 215.

- The Comptroller shall charge against and pay as hereinbefore or hereinafter provided from the general State school fund, the annual appropriation made by the General Assembly for the support of the State Department of Education, including the expenses of the State Board of Education, and the support and expenses of the office of the State Superintendent of Schools; the annual appropriation for the Maryland Teachers Retirement System; [the annual appropriation for part payment by the State of the salaries of county superintendents and of the superintendents of schools of Baltimore City, and of the supervising teachers or helping teachers in each of the several counties and the City of Baltimore; the annual appropriation for payment by the State of two thirds (2/3) of the salary of one supervisor or pupil personnel in each county and Baltimore City, and of one or more visiting teachers in the larger counties and Baltimore City; 1 the annual appropriation for the education of handicapped children, the annual appropriation for administration and supervision of vocational education in public high and vocational schools, for physical education and recreation, for medical examination of teachers and school bus drivers, for case and guidance service for handicapped individuals needing vocational rehabilitation, for equivalence examinations, for public libraries, and for adult education; Tthe annual appropriation per classroom unit as required in this article; the annual appropriation per pupil enrolled as required in this article; such special appropriations to be known as an incentive fund for the purpose of granting State aid to the counties and to the City of Baltimore to finance the construction of school buildings and school facilities, as may from time to time be made by budget bill or supplementary appropriation bill, to the boards of education of each county and to the mayor and city council of Baltimore; [and such special appropriations to be known as an equalization fund, as may from time to time, be made by budget bill or supplementary appropriation bill, to the county boards of education of certain counties and to the mayor and city council of the City of Baltimore, to enable them to pay the minimum salaries prescribed in this article for high school and elementary school teachers the annual appropriation for the State share of current expenses and annual current expenses incentive aid as provided in Sections 220 and 221 of this article; and the necessary costs of transporting pupils to public schools when such transportation is approved by the State Superintendent of Schools.
- Γ (c) 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 eight-seven cents (87¢) on each \$100 of assessable property, exclusive of the amount levied for debt service and capital outlay for the schools.