the City of Baltimore and the treasurers of the county boards of education of the several counties. On the receipt of the warrant of the Comptroller, the Treasurer of the State of Maryland shall immediately pay the respective amounts due the City of Baltimore and the treasurers of the county boards of education of the several counties.

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- [(a) For the school year 1957-1958 and thereafter, the board of education of each county and the mayor and city council of Baltimore shall be entitled to, and shall be paid, each year in the manner and subject to the limitations hereinafter provided, one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or such sum in excess thereof as may be provided in the budget, for each classroom unit in operation in such county or city, respectively, computed on a full-time teacher basis. The financial assistance herein authorized shall not be available or given to any county or to Baltimore City wherein any teacher receives a salary lower than that established by Section 106 of this article.
- (b) The State Superintendent of Schools shall certify to the Comptroller on or before the last day of July, September and November, the last day of January, March and May, one sixth of the annual sum due the county board of education of each county and the mayor and city council of Baltimore hereunder, and thereupon the Comptroller shall within five days of the above said dates draw his warrant on the Treasurer of the State of Maryland for the respective amounts due to the said boards of education and to the mayor and city council of Baltimore, and the Treasurer of the State of Maryland, upon receipt of said warrants shall immediately pay the amount due on said dates to said respective boards of education and to the City of Baltimore.
- (c) Provided further that no county or the City of Baltimore may decrease the amount appropriated from local funds for the school year 1956-57 for the teachers' salaries in excess of the State minimum schedule. Such local funds as referred to above shall be used to provide increased teachers' salaries above the new State minimum schedule as provided by this article and according to a local salary schedule to be established by the county boards of education or the board of school commissioners of Baltimore City.
- (a)(1) "Professional staff members" includes all persons employed by the various counties who are certificated by the State Superintendent of Schools or who hold equivalent status in the City of Baltimore as determined by the State Department of Education.
- (2) "Allowed professional staff members" means those provided according to the terms of Section 159 of this Article.
- (3) "Prescribed salaries" means the salaries required in Sections 106, 148, and 159.
- (4) "Pupils enrolled" shall be all pupils enrolled as of September 30 of each year in grades 1 to 12 or in special programs for children within the age limit prescribed in the law.
- (5) "Adjusted assessed valuation of real property" shall be as reported by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation as