funds to a company. The County Commissioners are authorized and directed to appropriate annually a sum to be determined by them of not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) nor more than three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) to the Fair Board of Calvert County, said sum to be distributed on a semi-annual basis. The County Commissioners are further authorized to appropriate in an emergency a sum to be determined by them to the Calvert County Hospital.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the provisions of this Act shall not be construed to extend or apply to the fiscal year in which this Act becomes effective.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1965.

Approved April 8, 1965.

CHAPTER 273

(House Bill 380)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 34 of Article 15A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Supplement), title "Budget and Procurement," subtitle "Purchasing Bureau," eliminating the provision of existing law exempting the Police Department of Baltimore City from the requirement that State agencies, departments and commissions be subject to purchasing laws and regulations of the political subdivision from which they receive more than fifty per cent (50%) of their regular annual operating expenses.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 34 of Article 15Å of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Supplement), title "Budget and Procurement," subtitle "Purchasing Bureau," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

34.

A department, board, commission, office, court, bureau, or other agency of the State government which receives more than one half of its regular annual operating expenses from a political subdivision of this State is not a "using authority" within the meaning of this subtitle; and the Department of Budget and Procurement and the Purchasing Bureau are not required to make any purchases for or take any part in the purchasing program of any such department, board, commission, office, court, bureau, or other agency. As to any such department, board, commission, office, court, bureau, or other agency, the political subdivision from which it receives more than one half of its regular annual operating expenses shall hereafter have the responsibility for operating the purchasing program; and any such department, board, commission, office, bureau or other agency shall be subject to the purchasing laws and regulations of such political subdivision now or hereafter in effect. [Nothing in this