1918, be and is hereby authorized and empowered to create or establish a merit system or classified service to include all of its employees except the Chief Engineer, Secretary and/or Treasurer, \(\bar{\pi}\) and to the general manager, if one be appointed, the heads of the several departments, and part time, temporary, or contract employees. In addition, the Commission may except from the classified service or include therein, as in its discretion it may determine from time to time, the attorneys on its legal staff. The Commission may appoint or promote an employee in the classified service to the office of general manager or to be a department head, or may designate a classified employee as the incumbent of any such office on an acting basis, and provide for the employee's retention in the classified service in the position or grade from which he was appointed or promoted and continue to except the positions of general manager and department heads, as such, from the classified service. The Commission may make such rules and regulations as are necessary and proper to carry out the provisions of this subheading. Said Commission may abolish, add to, change or amend such rules and regulations; provide, however, that all such rules and regulations and changes thereof shall be approved by the Commissioner of State Employment and Registration of Maryland, who is hereinafter called the State Commissioner of Personnel.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1966.

Approved May 6, 1966.

CHAPTER 680

(House Bill 444)

AN ACT to add new Section 18A to the Code of Public Local Laws of Carroll County (1965 Edition, being Article 7 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Carroll County," subtitle "County Commissioners," to follow immediately after Section 18 thereof, as last amended by Chapter 283 of the Acts of 1947, to authorize the County Commissioners to purchase property for the local historical society.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That new Section 18A be and it is hereby added to the Code of Public Local Laws of Carroll County (1965 Edition, being Article 7 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Carroll County," subtitle "County Commissioners," to follow immediately after Section 18 thereof, as last amended by Chapter 283 of the Acts of 1947, and to read as follows:

18A.

The County Commissioners of Carroll County are authorized to purchase property for the use of the Historical Society of Carroll County, Inc., and to expend therefor a sum not to exceed \$30,000. The Commissioners are also authorized to grant the title to such property to The Historical Society of Carroll County, Inc., without consideration.