

*obligation on the part of said employee to support his wife, and if there was no such obligation, then to his children under twenty-one if any, alone.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1971.

Approved May 17, 1971.

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CHAPTER 542  
(House Bill 576)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 47(a) of Article 77 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume), title "Public Education," subtitle "County Boards of Education," to permit the Board of Education of Cecil County to transfer any of its land, buildings, personal assets or other facilities to the board of trustees of a public community college, with or without charge, with the approval of the State Superintendent of Schools.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 47(a) of Article 77 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume), title "Public Education," subtitle "County Boards of Education," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

47.

(a) The county boards of education are authorized and empowered, with the approval of the State Superintendent of Schools, to purchase or otherwise acquire grounds, school sites, or buildings; or to rent, repair, improve and construct school buildings or to approve contracts for so doing, provided that the plans conform to the by-laws, rules and regulations of the State Board of Education and are approved by the State Superintendent of Schools, as provided for in Section 26 of this article. When the county boards of education, with the approval of the State Superintendent of Schools, shall determine that grounds, school sites, or buildings are no longer needed for school purposes, they shall be transferred by the county boards to the county commissioners or county council and may be utilized, sold, leased, or otherwise disposed of (except by gift) by the county commissioners or county council; *provided, however, that the Board of Education for Cecil County, with the approval of the State Superintendent of Schools, may transfer, with or without charge, to the board of trustees of a public community college any of its land, buildings, personal assets or other facilities.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1971.

Approved May 17, 1971.