

~~and proportion of the property to be divided and distributed shall be in the sound discretion of the court as just and equitable considering all the circumstances of the case.~~

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

Approved April 29, 1971

CHAPTER 339
(House Bill 1196)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 205(d) of the Code of Public Local Laws of Harford County (1965 Edition, being Article 13 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Harford County," subtitle "County Commissioners," as last amended by Chapter 750 of the Acts of 1969, to expand the duties and powers of the office of the director of finance of Harford County and to clarify the language therein.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 205(d) of the Code of Public Local Laws of Harford County (1965 Edition, being Article 13 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Harford County," subtitle "County Commissioners," as last amended by Chapter 750 of the Acts of 1969, be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

205.

(d) The office of Director of Finance within the Office of Administration is hereby created. [The] He shall be appointed by the Board of County Commissioners of Harford County [shall appoint a Director of Finance] and [he] shall serve at their pleasure. He shall be responsible to the Director of Administration and the County Commissioners for the performance of his duties[. The Director of Finance] and shall devote his full time to the work of the county.

(1) The Director of Finance shall be appointed solely on the basis of his integrity, managerial ability, technical knowledge, qualities of leadership, professional attitude, and of his executive and administrative qualifications for the performance of the duties of his office.

He shall have had, prior to his appointment, a [Bachelor of Arts] Bachelor's degree[.] from an accredited college or university with courses in Government, Business or Public Administration, Accounting, and Finance. He shall also have had at least five years' experience in public administration or private business, or both, and shall be thoroughly familiar with modern budget and accounting methods. He shall have shown and demonstrated to the satisfaction of the county commissioners, the qualifications, experience and educational background [that shall be] necessary for this position.