

and 129] §128A of this article; the necessary costs of transporting pupils to public schools when such transportation is approved by the State Superintendent of Schools; and the school building construction aid as provided in §130 of this article. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the Comptroller shall not charge against and pay from the General State School Fund any appropriations made to accomplish the purposes of §130A of this article.

(c) All funds which the county board of education and the mayor and city council of Baltimore may be authorized to expend for schools, other than State appropriations, AND FEDERAL EDUCATION AID PAYMENTS and exclusive of the amount authorized to be expended for debt service and capital outlay, may, for the purposes of calculating the local share under [§128] §128A, be considered as levied by the board of county commissioners and by the mayor and city council of Baltimore, irrespective of the source or sources from which such funds may be derived. But no such appropriation to any county, except as heretofore in this section provided, or to any academy, or to any college or university may be paid from the General State School Fund.

127.

The State Superintendent of Schools shall certify to the Comptroller ten (10) days before the end of July, September, November, January, March, and May, the amounts due on said dates to the Board of School Commissioners of the City of Baltimore and to the county boards of education of the several counties, on account of the annual State share of BASIC current expenses [and the annual current expense incentive aid] as provided in [§§128 and 129] §128A. 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 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.

130.

(b) For the school year 1967-68 and thereafter, each county and Baltimore City shall be entitled to and shall be paid by the State of Maryland each year in the manner and subject to the limitations hereinafter provided an amount to be known as school building construction aid which shall be calculated as follows:

(1) The State shall share in an expenditure for school construction which shall equal 80 percent of approved expenditures up to \$1,500 times the number of "pupils housed" in school buildings for which construction contracts have been let prior to February 1, 1971. For 1967-68 only, the product of 50 percent of the number of kindergarten pupils enrolled as of September 30, 1966, and \$1,500 shall be added to the approved expenditures in making this calculation. No moneys shall be paid by the State pursuant to this paragraph for school buildings or improvements for which contracts have been executed on or after February 1, 1971.

(2) The State shall also share in an amount equal to 80 percent of the principal and interest payments due during the current fiscal year on local debt for school construction to house pupils, as defined in paragraph (4) of the subsection, outstanding or obligated as of June 30, 1967, exclusive of any debt obligated for school construction included in the provisions of subparagraph (1) of the subsection. "Local debt for school construction" as used in this paragraph shall include any debt incurred as the result of moneys made available to any political