

subject to any conditions specified by the appropriating agency or imposed consistently with this subtitle.

The State Superintendent of Schools is directed to authorize the Comptroller to withhold State funds from any county which fails to levy the amount of its share of the minimum program prescribed by law or which fails to meet the requirements of the law or of the State Board of Education regarding the operation of the county library.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 177 of Article 77 - Public Education, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1975 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, beginning in fiscal year 1979 and continuing through fiscal year 1983, the State Department of Education shall satisfy, by equal yearly payments, its obligation pursuant to Section 177(e) of Article 77 which is hereby repealed by Section 2 of this Act. For fiscal year 1978, the Department shall pay, pursuant to Section 177(e) which is repealed by Section 2 of this Act, the amount appropriated in the State budget for fiscal year 1978.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1977 contingent upon the taking effect of Chapter _____ of the Acts of 1977 (H. B. _____ or S. B. _____) which provides that Lottery Revenues collected in Fiscal year 1978 shall be placed in the General Fund for Fiscal Year 1978, and if Chapter _____ does not become effective, this Act shall be null and void without the necessity of further action by the General Assembly.

Approved May 17, 1977.

CHAPTER 289

(Senate Bill 349)

AN ACT concerning

State Lottery - State Lottery Fund

FOR the purpose of ~~providing for the accumulation of the State's share of lottery money in the State Lottery Fund on a monthly basis for transfer to the general fund of the State after the first of each month changing the time of payment of lottery revenues into the general funds of the State for certain fiscal years.~~