(2) IN THE EVENT OF AN APPEAL, THE BOARD'S DECISION UPON ANY ISSUE OF FACT OVER WHICH IT HAS JURISDICTION SHALL BE FINAL AND CONCLUSIVE, UNLESS IT IS PRAUDULENT, ABBITRARY, OR CAPRICIOUS, OR SO GROSSLY BRRONEOUS AS NECESSARILY TO IMPLY BAD FAITH, OR IF IT IS NOT SUPPORTED BY SUBSTANTIAL EVIDENCE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That it is the intention of the General Assembly in the adoption of this Act that no current or former employee of the State of Maryland, including contractual employees, within one year after the employment has ceased, may be appointed as a member of the Board of Contract Appeals created by this Act.

SECTION 23. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1978, and shall be construed only prospectively and may not be applied or interpreted to have any effect upon or application to any contract entered into prior to the effective date of this Act.

Approved May 16, 1978.

## CHAPTER 419

(House Bill 852)

AN ACT concerning

Public Education - Funding

FOR the purpose of changing the amount added to the State share of the basic current expenses for public education for counties with a certain population density; and providing that this Act is contingent upon a certain appropriation in the Budget Bill.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Education
Section 5-202(c)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(As enacted by Chapter \_\_\_\_ of the Acts
of the General Assembly of 1978)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland (as enacted by Chapter \_\_\_\_ of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1978) be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article - Education